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THE MARRANOS OF PERSIA.

Births.

ABRAHAMS.—On the 1st of January, 1932, to Mr. and Mrs. Maurice D. Abrahams (née Dorothy Lewis), a daughter.—"Dolmaur," St. Margaret's-drive, Leeds.

ABULAFIA.—On the 3rd of January, at "Villa Suirah," 30, Chatsworth-road, Brondesbury, N.W., to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Abulafia (née Golda Beach), the gift of a beautiful daughter.

LEVINSON.—On Friday, the 1st of January, at 12, Staverton-road, N.W.2, to Lysbeth (née Jacobs), wife of Robert Levinson, a daughter.

PECKAR.—On the 1st of January, 1932, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Peckar, of Flushing, New York, a son.

SHIRE.—On the 29th of December, at 43, Priory-road, N.W.6, to Mr. and Mrs. "Lolly" Shire (née Greenhill), a daughter, Jane Ella.

TUCKER.—On the 1st of January, 1932, to Violet Essex, wife of Charles Levinson Tucker, at 57, Holland-park, London, a daughter.

Barmitzvah.

LEVY.—Philip Lotinga, only son of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Levy, will read a portion of the Law at the Synagogue, Middlesbrough, on Saturday, 16th January. "At Home," Sunday, 3 to 6 p.m., 11, Southfield-road, Middlesbrough.

MORDECAI.—Joseph, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Mordecai, "The Golden Lion," Charlotte-street, Caledonian-road, N.1, will read a portion of the Law at the Lofting-road Synagogue, Barnsbury, N.1, on Saturday, January 16th, 1932. Please accept this, the only intimation.

Engagements.

APPLETON : TEITELBAUM. — Hannah, daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. A. Appleton, of 11, High-street, Dumfries, to Joseph, only son of Mrs. and the late Mr. R. Teitelbaum, of 8, Gorbals-street, Glasgow, C.5. American and African papers please copy.

ASTRINSKY : SAYEVITCH.—Cissie, youngest daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. M. Astrinsky, of 26, Samuel-street, Leeds, to Louis, second son of Mr. and Mrs. N. Sayevitch, 150, Stepney Green-buildings, London. American papers please copy.

Engagements.—*(Continued).*

GOLDSTEIN : DAVIDOFF.—Julia, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Goldstein, 144, Dollis Hill-avenue, Cricklewood, to Leon, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Ch. Davidoff, 1, Schanzeneggstrasse, Zurich, Switzerland.

HONICKMAN : OSTRICK.—Queenie, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Honickman, 59, Cazenove-road, N.16, to David, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Ostrick, 23, Boreham-street, E.2.

JOFFEY : NIMAN.—The engagement is announced of Bella Ray, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. S. Joffey, 73, Bride-oak-street, Cheetham, Manchester, to Nathan (Niny), elder son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Niman, 152, Newport-road, Middlesbrough. American papers please copy.

MASTERMAN : ROSENBLOOM. — Milly, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Masterman, "Riviera," 99, Montrose-avenue, Luton, to Harry, eldest son of Mrs. B. Cohen and the late Mr. L. Rosenbloom, 359, Queen's-road, Upton Park, London.

MILLER : COSTA.—Michael, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Miller, of 33, Christchurch-avenue, Brondesbury, to Nancy, youngest daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. Costa, of 54, Holcome-road, Tottenham.

PERETZ : FELDMAN.—Rose, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Peretz, of 17, The Pollet, Guernsey, Channel Isles, to Louis, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Feldman, of 141, Cranbrook-road, Ilford, Essex.

ROSEN : JOSEPHS.—Judah (Doodie), second son of Mr. and Mrs. Rosen, of 286, Hackney-road, E.2, to Gertrude, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Josephs, of 63, Chatsworth-road, Clapton Park, E.5.

ROSENBLATT : SCHLOSS.—Ann, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rosenblatt, of 282, High-street, Stratford, to Morris, second son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Schloss, of 13, Cholsey-buildings, Princelet-street, E.1.

SHURE : SCHWARTZ.—Minnie, youngest daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. Isaac Shure, of 94, Norfolk-road, E.8, to Julius, eldest son of Mrs. R. Solomons, and the late Mr. Harry Schwartz, 37, Shore-road, E.9.

Engagements.—*(Continued).*

SOLOMON : BLACK.—Rita, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. Solomon, "Esterville," Raymond-road, Wallasey, to Solomon, youngest son of Mr. and the late Mrs. Black, 69, Elizabeth-street, Liverpool.

WHITEFIELD : GLICKMAN.—The engagement is announced of Lya, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Whitefield, 182, Langside-road, Glasgow, to Philip, second son of Mrs. and the late Mr. H. Glickman, 32, Hilton-street, Higher Broughton, Manchester.

ZENDLE : SMITH.—Ettie, eldest daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. Zendle, "Sandybank," Bury Old-road, Crumpsall, Manchester, to Maurice, third son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Smith, 364, Gt. Cheetham-street, Higher Broughton, Manchester.

Forthcoming Marriages.

BERMAN : KINCHUCK.—The marriage of Hannah, younger daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. S. Berman, 39, Sinclair-drive, Mossley Hill, Liverpool (formerly of London), to Will, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Kinchuck, 28, Exchange-street, Cheetham, Manchester, will be solemnised on Sunday, 10th January, 1932, at Grove-street Synagogue, Liverpool, at 1 p.m.

BRAHAMS : BERKOVITCH.—On the 11th of January, at Norwich Synagogue, at 1 p.m., Florence, daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. D. Brahams, 49, Mount-pleasant, Norwich, to Louis, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Berkovitch, 47, Derby-grove, Nottingham.

Marriages.

DAY : BARNETT.—On the 23rd of December, at the Liberal Synagogue, St. John's Wood, Elaine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Day, of Southport, to George L. Barnett, of London.

MARCUS : ROSENBERG.—The marriage of Phyllis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Marcus, 34, Brondesbury-park, N.W.6, to Albert Rosenberg, 43, Windsor-drive, Forest Gate, was solemnised on Sunday, January 3rd, at the Brondesbury Synagogue by the Rev. E. P. Phillips, Dayan H. M. Lazarus and the Rev. N. Peckar.

Deaths.

ARRON.—On *Shabbat*, the 2nd of January, 1932, Esther, widow of the late Simon Arron, after a brief illness. Deeply mourned and sadly missed by her heartbroken children, grandchildren, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, relatives and a large circle of friends. May her dear soul rest in everlasting peace.—9, Darlington-street, Cheetham Hill, Manchester. Australian and American papers please copy.

CRAMMER.—On the 19th of December, 1931, at 6, St. James'-road, Hightown, Manchester, Fanny Rebecca, beloved mother of Ralph W. Crammer, and widow of the late A. Harris Crammer.

FOLB.—On the 1st of January, 1932, Isaac, aged 52, beloved husband of Ethel Folb. Deeply mourned and will for ever be remembered by his wife and children. African papers please copy.—45, Darenth-road, Stamford Hill.

FOLB.—Isaac. A tribute to one of our best friends who passed away January 1st, 1932. May his dear soul rest in peace. Will always be remembered by Mr. and Mrs. S. Shulman and family, 23, Leweston-place, Stamford Hill. South African papers please copy.

FOX.—On the 30th of December, 1931, suddenly, ר״ משה מנחם פאקם, Morris Fox, of 78, Victoria Park-road, South Hackney. Deeply mourned by his sorrowing wife, sons, daughters, sons-in-law, daughter-in-law, sister, grandchildren, relatives and friends. May his dear soul rest in peace. ת״נ״צ״ב״ה

FOX.—On Wednesday (כ״ טבת תרצ״ב), the 30th of December, 1931, Morris Fox, dearly beloved father of Betty and Aaron Gabriel, of 5, Beaumont-street, Mile End, E.1, and grandfather of Marguerite, Norma and Thelma.

FOX.—On the 30th of December, Morris Fox, dearly beloved father of Sadie and Lewis Palace, of 23, Colvestone-crescent, Dalston, E.8, and grandfather of Ruth, Basil and Ronald.

FOX.—On the 30th of December, Morris Fox, dearly beloved father of Jennie and Harry (Hymie) Baron, of 78, Victoria Park-road, South Hackney, E.9.

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Deaths—(*Continued*).

FROSH.—On Monday, the 4th of January, as a result of a motor accident, Morris Frosh, beloved husband of Milly Frosh. For-ever mourned by his heartbroken wife, sons, daughters, son-in-law, brothers, sisters and friends. *Shib'ah* at 173, Eglinton-road, Woolwich, S.E.18. May God rest his dear soul in peace.

GOLDBERG.—On Sunday, the 3rd of January, 1932, כ״ה טבת תרצ״ב, at 75, Earlham-grove, E.7, דינה מלכה בת ר׳ פסח לייזער, Dinah, relict of the late Solomon Goldberg, beloved mother of Aaron Goldberg, 349, Romford-road, E.7, Annie Rosen, 109, Earlham-grove, E.7, Bessie Rosalki and A. Goldberg, 75, Earlham-grove, E.7. Deeply mourned and sadly missed by her sorrowing children, brothers, sisters, sons-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandchildren, great-grandchild, relatives and a large circle of friends. Gone from our sight, but not from our hearts. *Shib'ah* at 109, Earlham-grove. African and American papers please copy.

HOLMAN.—On the 4th of January, 1932, Abraham Holman passed away at 3, Sholebroke-terrace, Leeds, aged 41. Deeply mourned by his wife (née Esther Sumrie), children Sylvia, Cyril and Mildred, brother, sisters, father-in-law and all relatives. May his dear soul rest in peace.

ISRAEL.—On the 28th of December, Nathan, beloved husband of Annie Israel. Deeply mourned by his wife, sons and daughters.—10, Sandford-buildings, Calvert-avenue, Shoreditch.

KEYS.—On the 5th of January, at 146, King's-road, Brighton, Priscilla, beloved wife of Harry Keys and darling mother of Jenny Martin, sister of Sarah Turner and Ralph Lustig. May her dear soul rest in peace. *Shib'ah* at above address.

LION.—On *Shabbat*, the 2nd of January, Rosette Lion, widow of the late Sylvain Lion, beloved mother of Mrs. Constance Jacobs, 82, Valkyrie-road, Westcliff, and Leonard D. Lion, 4, Clarence-mansions, Clapton. *Shib'ah* at Westcliff.

MANKOWITZ.—On the 3rd of January, Rueben, aged 60, dearly beloved husband of Sophia Mankowitz. Deeply mourned by heart-broken wife, son, daughters, sons-in-law, daughter-in-law and grandchildren. Sadly missed by all.—49, Roseville-road, Leeds.

NEWSTEAD.—On the 1st of January, 1932, Julius Newstead, at his home, 20, Rotton Park-road, Birmingham, passed peacefully away. Deeply mourned by his heartbroken wife and family. May his dear soul rest in everlasting peace. Amen. American papers please copy.

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Deaths—(*Continued*).

NEWSTEAD.—On the 1st of January, 1932, Julius Newstead. Greatly missed by his sorrowing daughter Rebecca (Becky), son-in-law and grandchildren. Gone, but never to be forgotten.

OSTER.—On Sunday, the 3rd of January, כ״ד טבת, Shulem Oster, ע״ה, aged 65, of 78, Sandringham-road, Dalston, E.8. Deeply mourned by his devoted wife, children Ray (Mrs. Baum), Judah, Dr. Michael N. Oster, Bessie (Mrs. Fertleman), daughter-in-law, sons-in-law, grandchildren, relatives and friends. *Shib'ah* at the above address terminates on Sunday morning.

SILVERMAN.—On the 30th of December, Albert Silverman, dearly beloved son of Fanny and the late Emanuel Silverman, 5, Chichele-mansions, Cricklewood, N.W. Deeply mourned by his sorrowing mother, brother and sister. May his dear soul rest in everlasting peace.

SILVERMAN.—On the 1st of January, Mary Silverman (née Cohen). Deeply mourned by her mother, brothers and sister-in-law.—13, Derby-houses.

SILVERMAN.—On Friday, the 1st of January, Mary Silverman (née Cohen), of 3, Landseer-road, Bow, the beloved only sister of Mrs. Esther Green, 282, New Cross-road (late of Clapton), darling "auntie" of Ronald and Alma. Mourned by her brother-in-law Charles. Peace to her soul.

SMITH.—On Monday, the 28th of December, after a painful illness bravely borne, Hettie Smith, aged 23, youngest daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. D. Smith, beloved baby sister of Rose, Annie, Ray and Jean, sister-in-law of Judah, Jack and Ruby. Deeply mourned by her nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. God rest her dear soul in everlasting peace.—43, Moundfield-road, N.16.

SMITH.—On the 28th of December, Hettie Smith passed peacefully away. Deeply mourned by her uncle, aunt, and cousins (Levine and Berner), Birmingham. "To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die."

STEBAURMAN.—On the 2nd of January, at Brooklyn, New York, Jack Stebaurman (late of Birmingham), beloved husband of Ada. Deeply mourned by his sorrowing sons Louis (Loo) and Alex.; grandsons Harold and Jocelyn. Rest in peace.—22, Alexandra-road, Edgbaston, Birmingham. American papers please copy.

In Memoriam.

ALBERT.—In loving memory of our dear brother and father, who passed away Shebat 5th—January 11th, 1924. Never forgotten by his brother Phillip, sister-in-law Annie, nieces Freda and Sheila, and nephew John, also by his son Isidore.

BRAY.—In ever loving memory of our darling wife and mother, Rachel Bray, whom we were left to mourn on January 13th, 1929. Never to be forgotten. May God rest her dear soul in peace. Amen.

BRAY.—In loving memory of my darling mother, who was called to rest January 13th, 1929. Never to be forgotten by her daughter Julia.—40, Clarendon-court, Sidmouth-road, Brondesbury.

BRAY.—In ever loving memory of "mother," who passed away 13th of January, 1929. Ever in our thoughts. —Katie, son-in-law Victor, and grandson Raymond.

COHEN.—In cherished memory of our sister Rae, who fell asleep 12th January, 1931. Rest, Fragrance, Rest. —Golde and Louis.

FINE.—In ever loving and unfading memory of our dear husband and father, Harris Fine, who passed away January [illegible], 1927. Ever in the thoughts of his broken-hearted wife and children. May his dear soul rest in peace.—28, Hampden-street, Nottingham.

HARRIS.—In ever loving memory of our darling father, Alec Harris, who passed away 12th January, 1905.—Sadie and Alfred.

HARRISON.—In cherished memory of our dear husband and father, Isaac Harrison, who passed away January 9th, 1929. Eternally mourned by his sorrowing wife and children.—Liverpool.

In Memoriam—(*Continued*).

HARRISON.—In unfading memory of my beloved father, Isaac Harrison, who passed away January 9th, 1929. Never forgotten.—Mrs. Levy, Bristol.

HARRISON.—In loving memory of my dear father, Isaac Harrison, who passed away January 9th, 1929. At peace.—Mrs. Graff, Liverpool.

HARRISON.—In loving memory of my dear father, Isaac Harrison, who passed away January 9th, 1929. Always in the thoughts of his daughter Annie Harris.

HARRISON.—In loving and unfading memory of my dear father, Isaac Harrison, who passed away January 9th, 1929. Ever in the thoughts of his daughter, Esther Ellenbogen.

HILLER.—In memory of our dear husband and "Dad," Alfred Hiller, who died Tebet 25th, 5689.—Mrs. Hiller and children.

HYMAN.—Everlasting remembrances of our darling wife and mother, Leah, who departed this life on Tebet 20th, 1926. In death we are not divided.—69, Sandringham-road, Dalston.

LEVENE.—In ever loving memory of our dear wife and mother, Cissie Levene, who passed away January 10th, 1927—Shebat 7th, 5687. Ever in our thoughts. God rest her dear soul in peace.—166, Fulham-road, South Kensington.

LITTMAN.—In ever loving memory of Solomon ("Snooky"), beloved eldest son of Joseph and Lilly Littman, who left us broken-hearted on January 10th, 1925. Never to be forgotten by his loving parents, grandparents, brothers, sister and relatives. Amen. Gone from our sight, but for ever in our hearts.—20, Kyverdale-road, N.16.

MENDOZA.—In loving memory of my darling mother, who passed away January 12th, 1927. Deeply mourned and ever remembered by her daughter Ethel.—3, Coventry-court, 42, Maida-vale, W.9.

PHILLIPS.—In ever loving and unfading memory of our dear husband and father Joseph Phillips, who departed this life January 11th, 1930. Deeply mourned by his sorrowing wife, children, daughters-in-law and grandchildren. May his dear soul rest in everlasting peace.—"Ingerthorpe," Great North-road, N.6.

RAYMAN.—In ever loving memory of our darling daughter and sister, Sadie, who passed away January 7th, 1921. Mother, Dad, Fanny, Hessey.—Mexborough-drive, Leeds.

SMORODINSKY.—In unfading and loving memory of our dear husband and father, Barnett Smorodinsky, who passed away Shebat 6th, 1930—February 4th. Deeply mourned by his sorrowing wife and family. May his dear soul rest in everlasting peace. —149, King's Cross-road, W.C.1.

"In our hearts there lingers yet
A memory we shall never forget."

VOGEL.—In unfading memory of my adored sister Millie Vogel, late of 172, Fordwych-road, Cricklewood, died January 3rd, 1929. Love and remembrance last forever.—Sara Benfield.

Tombstones to be Set.

BERKOVITCH.—The consecration of the tombstone in loving memory of the late Mrs. U. B. Berkovitch, 75, Devonshire-street, Broughton, Manchester, will take place on Sunday, January 10th, at Blackley Cemetery. Conveyances will leave the Roumanian Synagogue, Ramsgate-street, at 11.30 a.m.

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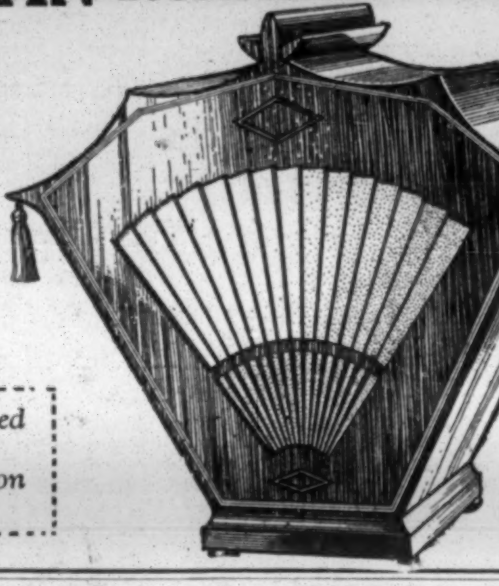

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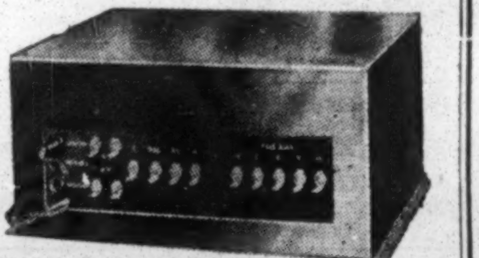

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Mr. Jabotinsky Runs Amok.

MR. JABOTINSKY is often called a fire-brand. The analogy is false. He is rather one of those harmless fireworks intended for indoor use: they amuse the children, but do no damage. His oratory at the Polish Zionist Revisionist Conference last week in Warsaw was certainly intended to be explosive, whether, according to *The Times*, he spoke of the "increased anti-British feeling among the Jews," and said that they "might become the dynamite which would blow up the British Empire," or according to the version in the Warsaw *Haint*, he said that England, "with her thirteen years' government in Palestine, has nullified our aspirations. She has thereby set light to fifteen million Jewish hearts, and the danger of fifteen million flaming matches is very great." Fortunately, everyone is now accustomed to these recurring pyrotechnic displays: like Bonfire Night, they have become an annual event. He has cried "Wolf" too often, and the daily press no longer finds his petulant outbursts good "copy." In general, the newspapers dismissed the proceedings of the Conference in a brief paragraph or two. The spokesmen of the Zionist Organisation and the Jewish Agency immediately strongly repudiated in *The Times* Mr. JABOTINSKY'S irresponsible statements and pointed out that he holds no office of any kind in either Organisation. Even at the Conference itself, Mr. JABOTINSKY'S Vice-Chairman, Mr. MEIR GROSSMAN, with more wisdom than his leader, expressed himself in favour of "making another attempt to resume co-operation with Great Britain." This, indeed, reminds us of CARLYLE'S rejoinder when he was informed that a certain lady, who enjoyed a reputation as a philosopher, had declared that she "accepted the Universe"—"She'd better," was his tart comment. We are not sure that Mr. JABOTINSKY, in his heart of hearts, is not well aware that it is only in co-operation with Great Britain that the Palestine movement has any prospect of coming to fruition. Like many demagogues, his mind has a sound sub-stratum of common-sense, but the charm and persuasiveness of his manner, so strongly evident in personal intercourse, disappear when once he sets foot on a public platform. Fervour and rant are no substitute for statesmanship. Mr. GANDHI, it has been said, has a philosophy, but no policy. Mr. JABOTINSKY, we fear, is in like case. The fragmentary programme he sponsors is fifteen years behind the times. Like CANUTE, he has sat upon the shore and vainly bidden the waves retire, but the current of events has passed him by and left him gasping. He has written: "I have a tremendously strong belief in cool calculations," but that is not his platform manner. He has not taken to heart what MAX NORDAU once told him: "Logic is a Greek art which the Jews haven't got. The Jew does not learn from reason—he learns from catastrophes. He doesn't buy an umbrella when the sky is cloudy, but waits until it is wet and he has caught a cold—not till then does he remember to buy an umbrella."

The truth is that Mr. JABOTINSKY is a man with a grievance. He cannot forget that he has been badly treated by unimaginative military and civil administrators. It is very possible that if he had been met in a different spirit his fervid enthusiasm could have been tempered with discretion and turned into channels where it would have been productive of good. This is no time, however, to rake up old history. The rancour of an individual must not be allowed to imperil a movement on which Jewry as a whole has pinned its hopes. Difficult times call for sanity of judgment and sobriety of expression. As Mr. SOKOLOW said on the eve of his departure for America, "The work of quiet persuasion and argument forms the solid foundation on which the ultimate success of our movement is reared."

There is room for Mr. JABOTINSKY and his followers within the Zionist Organisation. The door has not been banged in their faces. Whether they go in or stay outside is their own affair. If they propose to continue their insane and unbridled attacks on the Government in whose hands the fate of the *Yishub* lies, they must stay outside; but if they do, if they attempt to discourage the overwhelming majority of Zionists, and all those non-Zionists who are ranged behind the Jewish Agency, from continuing to put forward their utmost endeavours to further the practical work on which the fate of the Palestine movement really depends, if they endeavour to make co-operation with the Mandatory Power impossible, it is they who will be betraying the cause they have at heart.

Jewry: Week by Week.

It was very disagreeable to find that a recent book by an English author lends credence to the revolting legend of Jewish "ritual murder." He is careful to point out that he does not believe that this practice is sanctioned by the Jewish religion. He takes the same line as some of the anti-Semitic organisations, that "there is no smoke without fire," that these allegations have been made for so long and so frequently that there must be some foundation for them. Consequently, he believes that individual Jews or groups of Jews, animated by hatred of Christianity, have from time to time been guilty of the deeds which are comprehended under the terms "ritual murder" or "blood libel." This is, of course, no argument at all. During the Boxer Rebellion, reports were spread about by the Chinese that Christian missionaries had murdered Chinese children, for religious motives. Does anyone believe that there was fire behind this smoke? The dissemination of the "blood libel" at the present time, in view of conditions on the Continent, is a crime against humanity. A "blood libel" trial is still pending in Czecho-Slovakia; the proceedings have dragged on for over a year. In Poland recently, it was discovered that a school-teacher was instilling the poison of the "blood libel" into the minds of the children in the school. The lie must be challenged vigorously and promptly. I am glad to learn that Mr. Philip Guedalla, the Chairman of the Press Committee of the Board of Deputies, at once took steps to counter any false impression that may be left upon readers of reviews of the book to which I refer. The Jewish Historical Society some time ago undertook to reprint the denunciation of the "blood libel" by Cardinal Ganganelli, aftewards Pope. A certified copy of it was obtained by Lord Rothschild from the Papal Secretary of State during the Beilis "ritual murder" case before the War. It would be a real service to our co-religionists abroad if it could be published now. In the next issue of THE JEWISH CHRONICLE SUPPLEMENT, I shall print a review of the book by a competent authority.

Friends of the Hebrew University.

It has often been remarked that the Jewish Community is apt to be quick and generous in response to appeals on behalf of objects which touch the heart, but slow and niggardly as regards those which appeal to the mind. It may be that those of us who are keenly interested in cultural objects have less money to spare than those who have devoted themselves to business; certainly the Jewish business man is the mainstay of our Communal charities, while it is not easy to get him to support causes like the Jewish Historical Society or the Council for Jewish Adult Education, in which he is not directly interested. There are many noteworthy exceptions, of course; we alll know Jewish business men who spend their spare time in cultural activities or are actively engaged in managing the affairs of our learned societies. The Friends of the Hebrew University is a society which ought to be well supported, but at present it has no more than 200 members. Considering the large number of persons who profess a keen interest in the future of Palestine, and especially in the creation in Jerusalem of a cultural centre which will radiate its influence throughout the Diaspora, the number is disappointingly small. I hope that the Annual Meeting of the Society, which is to be held at 8.30 p.m. on Tuesday next in the Swedenborg Hall, will stimulate fresh interest in its activities. Sir Philip Hartog will be in the Chair. Dr. Weizmann will describe the progress of the Hebrew University, and Sir Matthew Nathan and Mr. Norman Bentwich will also speak.

Rabbi or no Rabbi ?

No, the question is no longer "Rabbi or no Rabbi?" but "Rabbi, Limited or Unlimited?" We are quite used to the spectacle of Peers of the Realm converting themselves into limited companies to manage their own estates, but I have not come across a previous instance of a Rabbi resorting to the Companies' Acts. On December 2nd, Joseph Shapotshnick, Ltd., was registered at Somerset House. Its Directors are Joseph Shapotshnick (Rabbi) and Woolf Jacobs (*Kosher* Cutter). From the advertisement which appeared in this paper on December 25th, it will have been seen that the Company has opened a *Kosher* Butcher Shop, and that its Rabbi-Director will be in attendance daily to answer customers' *Shaalas*.

"*Kosher* Cutter" is, I feel, a most inelegant term. If it is necessary to translate the word *Shochet*, why not "Ritual Slaughterer"? I know that many *Shochetim* object to having to describe themselves as "slaughterers" for the purpose of the London County Council's by-laws relating to the slaughtering of animals, and I fully sympathise with their objection, since it is desirable that the non-Jewish public should be aware that the *Shochet* is an ecclesiastical official carrying out religious duties for which he has had to undergo a long preparation. "*Kosher* Cutter," however, seems to me to be likely to convey a false impression, as indeed a *Shochet* discovered when he told the North London Magistrate recently that he was an "ecclesiastical cutter." "You are not a person who cuts out Bishops' leggings, aprons and things like that?" he was asked.

It was not before this same Magistrate that another *Shochet* appeared a day or two ago. "You are a *Shochet*?" said the Magistrate. "Well, your Honour," was the reply, "it's like this. When I stand before my children, I am a teacher; when I stand before my congregation, I am a Minister; and when I stand before an ox, then I am a *Shochet*."

Sir Herbert Samuel.

We were all glad to hear last week that Sir Herbert Samuel had escaped injury when the motor-car in which he was travelling on Dartmoor skidded on an icy road and fell into a ditch. Sir Herbert's strenuous political activities, both before his resumption of the Home Secretaryship and, of course, especially since, have doubtless been the cause of his infrequent appearances of late at Communal functions. Will he have in the near future sufficient breathing-time to lend a hand in guiding some of our Communal activities? The number of "first-class brains" actually to be found among our Communal leaders could be counted on the fingers of one hand. How much more purposive and fruitful might the activities of some of the Institutions be with the co-operation of one of Sir Herbert's calibre!

Deportation Cases

It was a non-Jewish correspondent who once addressed the Deputies as "the Board of Deputations." This method of approaching Government Departments has its disadvantages. Ministers may take many months to consider the views put forward by the Board's spokesmen. In the meantime the Board's hands are tied and its mouth shut, and the public naturally grows impatient. Nevertheless, it is the soundest policy. On the aliens' question a deputation to the Home Secretary has been an annual event. Owing to the political and economic difficulties of the past six months the Board has had to wait even longer than usual for a final answer to the undisposed of points in its exchange of views with the late Home Secretary. One of the evening papers revealed during the summer holidays that Mr. Clynes, before laying down office, had agreed in principle to the setting up of an Advisory Committee to consider a certain class of deportation orders. The Deputies received no confirmation of this report, but in the circumstances did not press the new Home Secretary. Now THE TIMES is able to state that on making enquiries last week it learned that Mr. Clynes had decided to set up such a tribunal, but that the names of persons to serve on it had not been selected when the Government went out of office; that the matter is under consideration by the present Home Secretary; and that there is every likelihood that the proposal will be carried into effect.

The Stranger Within Your Gates.

Present economic conditions have resulted, as might have been expected, in an intensifying of the "anti-alien" agitation. Vice-Admiral Taylor recently suggested in the House of Commons the imposition of a poll-tax on all aliens not owning their own business or employing labour. I do not suppose that the gallant Admiral had Jews in mind, nor do I myself identify aliens with Jews. The number of Jewish aliens in the country is unknown, owing to the absence of religious statistics from the Census, but doubtless it is a considerable proportion of the total number of aliens in the country. It is a stock argument of the "Britons" and kindred organisations that alien Jews have poured into the country by thousands in recent years. When it is considered how relatively small is the total number of aliens in the country it is manifest how absurd that statement is. There has been practically no alien immigration at all since 1914. We have still with us, however, some of that generation which fled from Russian persecution from 1880 onwards. Many of them have been naturalised, but there are still some who found the heavy cost of naturalisation and the language test bars to securing British citizenship. We may safely say that they have been "established residents" for some twenty years, for it is getting on for twenty years since the War closed the gates of this country. It is these persons whose interests the Aliens Committee of the Board of Deputies is charged to protect, and it would be sheer injustice if these long-established residents were discriminated against by anti-alien measures. For twenty years at least they have paid their rates and taxes; they contribute as employers or employed to Unemployment Insurance and Contributory Pensions; their children have enriched the commerce and the public life of the country.

Too Many *Shochetim*?

It was recently announced that the London *Shechita* Board had been obliged to take steps to discourage the entry of new aspirants to the profession of *Shochet*. If there is really a plethora of *Shochetim*, this is a justifiable and prudent measure. The *Shechita* Board is best able to judge the situation. We trust, however, that at the same time all possible steps are being taken to mitigate hardships to those young men who have already been induced to undergo training. We are informed that some of them who have recently completed their training have been passed over in favour of older men, not so well qualified and without real claims to employment. This is, of course, the view of those who have been passed over. I give it for what it is worth, and express the hope that the *Shechita* Board will keep the situation in mind and will do what it can to remove the sense of injustice that undoubtedly exists in the minds of the disappointed.

Jewish Professors and Fascism.

Of the eleven or twelve Italian University professors (out of a total of 1,225) who resigned their posts rather than swear the oath of allegiance to Fascism, three are Jews. The most illustrious of the whole group is Vito Volterra, Professor of Physical Mathematics at the University of Rome, Doctor *honoris causa* both of Oxford and Cambridge, and author of several works of fundamental importance on mathematical subjects. Giorgio Levi della Vida, another mathematician is perhaps better known in Jewish circles, being intimately interested in the Hebrew University at Jerusalem. The third is Giorgio Errera, Professor of Chemistry at the University of Pavia. Whether the general attitude of the dissident professors is right or wrong cannot be discussed here. But it is certainly worthy of note that 25 per cent. of the handful who have sacrificed their careers to their consciences belong to our people. The spirit of the Maccabees is not quite dead.

The Honours List.

Six Jewish names appear in the recent list of honours which His Majesty proposes to confer. To the recipients of these honours the congratulations of their co-religionists will be extended. Sir Arthur M. Samuel, one of the new Baronets, has had a distinguished Parliamentary career during which he has filled the offices of Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, and Financial Secretary to the Treasury. He comes of an old Norwich family and has been closely identified with civic affairs having been Lord Mayor of his native city. Sir Arthur Samuel is noted as an author, his contributions to literature covering a wide range of subjects. The other baronet Sir Percy A. Harris, receives his reward for long and arduous services in Parliament and the London County Council. He is a product of Harrow and Cambridge, one of the stalwarts of the Liberal Party, and *persona grata* with all classes in Bethnal Green, which he represents. He was for a time member for Market Harborough. Sir Percy is the younger son of the late Wolf Harris, who was a Warden of the New West End Synagogue, and one of the Vice-Presidents of the Jews' Orphanage at Norwood. The honour of Knighthood which comes to Mr. Benjamin Drage recognises the services he has rendered the Empire Marketing Board and his interest in the poor children of the Metropolis. Mr. H. A. Gubbay belongs to the well known family whose public services have been notable here and in India. The distinction conferred upon Miss Ida Samuel is a fitting tribute to her zealous labours on behalf of the poor and the struggling. Her work on the County Council and her long association with every form of social endeavour in East London have earned for her a warm place in the heart of her community. Captain Bertram S. Cohen, a member of the Research Department of the G.P.O., who receives an O.B.E., is not so well known in the Community. His grandfather, Mr. I. Birnbaum, was actively associated with several of our institutions, and in particular, with the Jews' Temporary Shelter. Captain Cohen's father, who settled in South Africa, was interested there in Jewish affairs, while the recipient himself is a keen student of Zionist activities. To one and all the best of good wishes.

THE EDITOR.

Social and Personal.

SIR HERBERT SAMUEL, the Home Secretary, and Lady Samuel have returned to 35, Porchester Terrace, from Torquay.

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGES.

MR. I. APPLESON AND MISS ZEIDMAN.

The engagement is announced of Isaac (Jack), eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Appleson, "The Grange," Grange Terrace, Chapeltown, Leeds, to Hilda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Zeidman, of Cardiff.

MR. LAVY BAKSTANSKY, LL.B., AND MISS FLAX.

The engagement is announced of Lavy, eldest son of Mrs. and the late Mr. N. Bakstansky, of 68, Aberdare Gardens, Hampstead, formerly of Tel-Aviv, Palestine, to Naomi, second daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Louis Flax, of 15, Bay 28th Street, Brooklyn, New York.

MR. ARTHUR BALL AND MISS SCHWARTZ.

The engagement is announced of Arthur, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Ball, ~~31,~~ Heber Road, Cricklewood, N.W.2, to Miriam (Mickey), only daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. Saul Schwartz, 24, Newington Causeway, S.E.1, and formerly of Merthyr Tydfil.

MR. RALPH BIRENBERG AND MISS LEVER.

The engagement is announced of Ralph, only son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Birenberg, "Bramcote," Dyke Road, Brighton, to Pauline, only child of Mr. and Mrs. S. I. Lever, 41, Lyndale Avenue, Hampstead, N.W.2; granddaughter of Alderman Barnett Marks, J.P., Hove.

MR. SAMUEL BLOOM AND MISS GOODMAN.

The engagement is announced of Samuel, second son of Mr. and Mrs. N. Bloom, 86, Darenth Road, Stamford Hill, to Sadie, youngest daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. J. Goodman, 442, Commercial Road, E.1.

MR. J. CYMBERG AND MISS GOLDIN.

The engagement is announced of Joseph (Joe), second son of Mrs. and the late Mr. Morris Cymberg, of 57, Fairview Road, Tottenham, N.15, to Sylvia, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. Goldin, of "Raynor House," 90a, Balfour Road, Ilford, and eldest grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. B. Seligman, of "Forest Glen," 19, East Avenue, Manor Park, E.

MR. SOLOMON GOOLNIK AND MISS SILBERSTON.

The engagement is announced of Solomon, second son of the late Mr. and Mrs. P. Goolnik, to Beatrice, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Silberston, 34, Carlton Hill, N.W.8.

MR. A. I. LIBBERT AND MISS GOLDBERG.

The engagement is announced of Arthur Isaac, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Israel Libbert, of "Lynwood," Bury Old Road, Manchester, to Evelyn, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Goldberg, of "Broom Hill," Broom Lane, Broughton Park, Manchester.

MR. SAMUEL POZNANSKY, B.A., AND MISS WINE.

The engagement is announced of Samuel, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Poznansky, 1,171, Bryant Avenue, New York, to Ruby, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Wine, of "Bellview," Leicester Avenue, Rathgar, Dublin.

DR. P. ROSENFELD AND MISS FELDMAN.

The engagement is announced of Paul, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Rosenfeld, of 48, Brondesbury Park, N.W.6, to Cissie, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Feldman, of 11, Black Lion Yard, E.

MR. ABRAHAM GRANDITER AND MISS FREEDMAN.

The marriage of Abraham (Archie), youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Granditer, 131, Barking Road, E.16, to Daphne, younger daughter of Mr. S. and the late Mrs. Freedman, 342, Commercial Road, E.1, will be solemnised on Sunday, January 17th, at 1.30 p.m., at the Great Synagogue, Duke Street, E.C.

Calendar and Diary.

(*Shebat* 30 days).

FRIDAY 8th January, to FRIDAY, 15th January.

(*29th Tebet to 7th Shebat*).

FRIDAY (29th *Tebet*), 8th January ... ... Sabbath begins at **3.30.**

SATURDAY (1st. *Shebat*), 9th January
(*Rosh Chodesh Shebat*)
Portion of the Law:
וארא
Exodus vi. 2 to end of ix., and
Numbers xxviii. 9-.5.
Haftarah:
Isaiah lxvi. 1-24.

Sabbath ends (in London) at **4.58.**

FRIDAY (7th *Shebat*), 15th January ... ... Sabbath begins at **4.**

The Week's Pulpit.

Metropolitan.

TO-MORROW (SABBATH).

EALING AND ACTON, Grange Road, W. ... ... Rev. A. ROSE.
Subject: "God makes Himself manifest to Moses."

EAST LONDON, Rectory Square ... ... Mr. A. S. SUPER, B.A.
Subject: "A worthy Servant."

GOLDERS GREEN, Dunstan Road, N.W. ... ... Rev. I. LIVINGSTONE
(After *Mincha*, 4.15) *Subject:* "The Object of the Dietary Laws."

HAMPSTEAD, Dennington Park Road ... ... Dayan M. GOLLOP, Rabbi, B.A.
Subject: "The Reality of God: In Egypt or the Wilderness?"

MILE END AND BOW, Harley Street, E. ... ... Rev. J. HALPERN, M.A.
(Children's Service at 2.30) *Subject:* "Plagues and Penitence."

NORTH LONDON, Lofting Road, N. ... ... Rev. W. MORRIN, B.A.
Subject: "וארא."

RICHMOND, Parkshot ... ... Rabbi M. GINSBERG, M.A.
Subject: "Magic in Religion."

ST. JOHN'S WOOD ROAD (Liberal) ... ... Rabbi S. E. STARRELS, B.A.
(Service at 11) *Subject:* "One Use of Holidays."

STOKE NEWINGTON, Shacklewell Lane ... ... Rabbi Dr. J. NEWMAN, B.A.
Subject: "I shall be to you for a God."

WELFARE CENTRE, Buxton Street, E. ... ... Mr. A. S. SUPER, B.A.
(Service at 3) *Subject:* "And I Appeared." (Jews' College)

WEST END, Manette Street ... ... Rabbi H. FERBER
(At 3.30) *Subject:* "ברית אבות לבנים."

WEST LONDON (Reform), Upper Berkeley Street, W. ... Rev. V. G. SIMMONS, B.A.
(Children's Service at 10.15) *Subject:* "A Lesson from the Stars."
(Service at 11) *Subject:* "Easy Ways for the Jew." ... Rev. H. F. REINHART

SUNDAY.

HAMPSTEAD, Dennington Park Road ... ... Dayan M. GOLLOP, Rabbi, B.A.
(Informal Talk at 12) *Subject:* "The Sabbath in Modern Life."

ST. JOHN'S WOOD ROAD (Liberal) ... ... Mr. LESLIE I. EDGAR, M.A.
(Service at 11.30.) *Subject:* "For What should we Pray?"

Provincial.

TO-MORROW (SABBATH).

BRIGHTON AND HOVE, Middle Street ... ... Rev. I. N. FABRICANT, B.A.
Subject: "The Purpose of Liberty."
(After *Mincha*) "*Midrash*."

CARDIFF, Cathedral Road ... ... Rev. H. JEREVITCH
Subject: "They Hearkened not unto Moses."

GLASGOW, Garnethill ... ... Rev. M. S. SIMMONS, M.A.
Subject: "אתה יצרת עולמך מקדם, but Man, since then, has deformed it!"

HARROGATE, St. Mary's Walk ... ... Rev. E. KAHAN, B.A.
Subject: "Dictator *v.* Liberator."

LEEDS, Great ... ... Rev. Dr. J. ABELSON, M.A.
Subject: "Moses as Leader."

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NOTABLE DAYS IN 1932.

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II Adar	13	Fast of Esther	Monday	March	21
"	14	PURIM	Tuesday	"	22
Nisan	15	PASSOVER, 1st day	Thursday	April	21
"	16	" 2nd day	Friday	"	22
"	21	" 7th day	Wednesday	"	27
"	22	" 8th day	Thursday	"	28
Iyar	18	33rd Day of Omer	Tuesday	May	24
Sivan	6	PENTECOST, 1st day ...	Friday	June	10
"	7	" 2nd day ...	Saturday	"	11
Tammuz	17	Fast of Tammuz	Thursday	July	21
Ab	9	FAST OF AB	Thursday	August	11
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Tishri	1	NEW YEAR, 1st day... ...	Saturday	October	1
"	2	" 2nd day... ...	Sunday	"	2
"	3	Fast of Gedaliah	Monday	"	3
"	10	DAY OF ATONEMENT ...	Monday	"	10
"	15	TABERNACLES, 1st day ...	Saturday	"	15
"	16	" 2nd day ...	Sunday	"	16
"	21	Hasha'ana Rabba	Friday	"	21
"	22	SHEMINI ATSERET	Saturday	"	22
"	23	SIMCHAT TORAH	Sunday	"	23
Kislev	25	CHANUCAH	Saturday	December	24

ROSHE HADOSHIM.—Shebat, January 9th. *I Adar, February 8th. *II Adar, March 9th. Nisan, April 7th. *Iyar, May 7th. Sivan, June 5th. *Tammuz, July 5th. Ab, August 3rd. *Ellul, September 2nd. *Marcheshvan, October 31st. *Kislev, November 30th. *Tebet, December 30th.

**The previous day also is observed as Rosh Chodesh.*

THE WEEK'S PULPIT.—(*Continued from previous page*).

Liverpool, Colquitt Street (Liberal) ... ... Rabbi Dr. Mattuck
(Service at 2.30) *Subject*: "Can One Still Believe in God?"

Liverpool, Hope Place ... ... Rev. M. M. Cohen
Subject: "Isaiah's Ideal Place of Worship." (Manchester)

Liverpool, Princes Road ... ... Rev. S. Frampton, B.A.
Subject: "Respite Abused."

Manchester, Higher Broughton ... ... Rev. Dr. S. M. Lehrman, M.A.
Subject: "Friendly Co-operation."
(At 3.45) "*Ayin Yakob.*"

Manchester, Holy Law ... ... Rev. I. W. Slotki, M.A.
Subject: "Throne and Footstool."
(*Barmitzvah* Address) *Subject*: "New Moons."

Manchester, North ... ... Rev. Dr. H. Freedman, B.A.
Subject: "בעל שדי."

Sheffield, Wilson Road ... ... Rabbi Barnet I. Cohen, B.A.
Subject: "Determination—or Obstinacy."

Southport, Arnside Road ... ... Rabbi Dr. A. E. Silverstone, M.A.
Subject: "The Call."
(At 4) "Gleanings from the *Sedra*."

Swansea, Goat Street ... ... Rev. J. Weintrobe, B.A.
Subject: "The Leader and his Difficulties."

Forthcoming Events.

Metropolitan.

FRIDAY, January 8.

Central London Young Mizrachi, Study Circle, conducted by Mr. S. Young, 104, Bethnal Green Road, 8.

Clapton Synagogue, Study Circle, conducted by Rabbi I. B. Zinober, 47, Lea Bridge Road, 8.

Spitalfields Sinai Association, *Gemarah Shiur*, conducted by Rabbi M. Brodsky, 59, Brick Lane, 8.

East London Young Mizrachi, Study Circle, 163, Hanbury Street, 8.

North London Young Mizrachi, Study Circle, conducted by Miss R. L. Bornstein, 186, Dalston Lane, 8.

Stamford Hill Tiphereth Bachurim, Study Circle, conducted by Rabbi Dr. E. W. Kirzner, M.A., 33, Darenth Road, 8.

West End Synagogue, *Chumish Shiur*, conducted by Rabbi H. Ferber, 14, Manette Street, 8.

"Rosh Pinah," Study Circle, 16, Keyes Road, 8.30.

Jewish Free Reading Room, Lecture by the Rev. M. Zeffertt, B.A., 103a, Whitechapel Road.

SATURDAY, January 9.

Haskalah Literary Society, Study Circle, conducted by Mr. J. Halpern, M.A., 22, Buxton Street, 3.30.

The Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland, Annual Conference, Slaters' Baltic Restaurant, 27, Leadenhall Street, 5.45.

Young Israel Society, North-West London Branch, Dance, Brondesbury Synagogue Hall, 7.30.

The Plinius Players, Performance in aid of Habonim, Rudolf Steiner Hall, 8.15.

Sir Joseph Lyons' Ladies' Guild, Dance, Marcus Samuel Hall, Egerton Road.

SUNDAY, January 10.

The Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland, Annual Conference, New Burlington Galleries, Burlington Gardens, 10.

Anglo-Jewish Association, Council Meeting, Great Western Hotel, Paddington, 3.

Union of Jewish Literary Societies, Lecture by Mr. G. R. Driver, M.A., M.C., Jews' College, Guilford Street, 4.30.

Golders Green Synagogue, Talmud Study Circle, *Siyum*, 4.30.

Great Synagogue, Special Meeting of Seatholders, Synagogue Hall, St. James's Place, 5.30.

Dalston Jewish Social Club, Concert, 59, Poet's Road, 7.30.

North London Young Mizrachi, Lecture by Professor H. Loewe, M.A., 198, Amhurst Road, 7.30.

Jewish Students' Common Room, Discussion (Opener: Mr. M. J. Landa), 28, St. John's Wood Road, 7.30.

Mile End and Bow Social Club, Dance, Synagogue Hall, Harley Street, 7.30.

North London Jewish Club, Dance, 240a, Amhurst Road, 7.30.

Stoke Newington Synagogue Literary Society, Dance, Gustave Tuck Hall, Shacklewell Lane, 7.30.

The Harmony Jewish Social Club, Dance, Mozart House, Albion Road, Stoke Newington, 7.30.

The New Future Club, Dance, 1, Minster Road, Brondesbury, 7.30.

The New Clissold Social Club, Dance, Mornington House, Canonbury Lane, 7.30.

Young Israel Society, North London Branch, Dance in aid of the "Ort-Oze," Marcus Samuel Hall, 7.30.

West London Jewish Social Society, Dance, Communal Hall, 71, Brook Green, 7.30.

Associated Maccabeans and Judeans, Concert by the J.F.S. Old Boys' Club, 4, Fulbourne Street, 7.45.

Hagodol Social Club, Social Evening, Jewish Institute, Mulberry Street, 8.

East London Young Mizrachi, Debate, 4, St. James's Place, 8.

Central London Young Mizrachi, Concert, 108a, Whitechapel Road, 8.

Jews' Free School Old Boys' Club, Soirée, 8.

University of London Jewish Students' Union, Lecture, Cosmo Hotel, Southampton Row, 8.

North London Synagogue Social Society, Dance, John I. Jacobs Hall, Lofting Road, 8.

Harcourt Social Club, Dance, Northumberland Rooms, Northumberland Avenue, 8.

Hampstead Literary and Debating Society, Lecture by Mrs. B. L. King, Synagogue Buildings, Kingdon Road, 8.

The Towers Social Circle, Dance, 59, Finchley Road, 8.

Finsbury Park and District Jewish National Fund Commission, Lecture by Professor Samson Wright 12, Ridge Road, Hornsey, 8.30.

"Rosh Pinah," Lecture by Mr. Leopold Schen, Cricklewood Synagogue Hall, 8.30.

North-West London Jewish Social Society, Social and Dance, Fairfax Hall, Harringay.

MONDAY, January 11.

Association of Young Zionist Societies, East London District Council, Public Meeting, Address by Lt.-Col. F. H. Kisch, 4. Fulbourne Street, 8.30.

"Ort-Oze," East London Committee, Soirée, Harley Hall, Bow, 8.30.

Hagodol Social Club, Lecture by Dr. W. J. O'Donovan, M.P., Jewish Institute, Mulberry Street, 8.45.

Old Boys' Club, Lecture by Mr. F. W. Roberts, 241, Mile End Road, 8.45.

The Kadimah, Lecture by Mr. M. Kouriansky, LL.B., 26a, Soho Square, 9.

West Ham Jewish Social Club, Lecture by Mr. S. Somper, B.A., Red Triangle Club, Greengate Street.

TUESDAY, January 12.

East London Young Zionist League, Inter-debate with the Bow B'nei Zion, 64, Leman Street, 8.30.

Friends of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Annual Meeting and Address by Dr. Chaim Weizmann, Swedenborg Hall, Hart Street, 8.30.

Hagodol Ladies' Club, Study Circle, conducted by Dayan Dr. A. Feldman, Jewish Institute, Mulberry Street, 8.30.

Haskalah Literary Society, Presidential Address by Mr. L. G. Bowman, M.A., 4, St. James's Place, 8.30.

North London Young Zionist Society, Debate, Marcus Samuel Hall, 8.30.

Young Israel Society, Golders Green Branch, Lecture by Mr. Hickman, Synagogue Classrooms, Dunstan Road, 8.30.

He-Atid (Brixton Young Zionist Society), Address by Mr. G. Smith, 8.30.

Harcourt Social Club, Lecture by Mr. J. E. Clarke, 29, Stamford Hill, 8.45.

WEDNESDAY, January 13.

Jewish Day Nursery, Dance, La Bohème Ballrooms, Mile End Road, 7.30.

Finchley Jewish Literary Society, Social Evening, 7, Crescent Road, Church End, 8.

The New Clissold Social Club, Lecture by Professor L. F. Rushbrook Williams, C.B.E., Mornington House, Canonbury Lane, 8.30.

20th Century Judeans, Inaugural Meeting, Masonic Hall, Harvey Road, Leytonstone, 9.

Egerton Social Society, Inter-debate with the North London Young Israel Society, Marcus Samuel Hall, 9.

The New Future Club, Social Evening, 1, Minster Road, Brondesbury.

THURSDAY, January 14.

The Harmony Jewish Social Club, Social, Gothic House, 2, Bouverie Road, Church Street, Stoke Newington, 8.

Anglo-Palestinian Club, Lecture by Mr. H. N. Brailsford, First Avenue Hotel, 8.30.

Bow B'nei Zion, Debate with Haleumim, Synagogue Hall, Devonshire Road, Hackney, 8.30.

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WHAT I have written above has been written from memory, and if I have in any way misrepresented Dr. Mattuck, it has not been of set purpose. I would only add an expression of grave doubt as to whether all this Judæo-Christian fraternisation carries us anywhere at all. In the way of ethical teaching, Jesus has nothing to offer the Jew. I suggest, with all deference to Dr. Mattuck, that Jewish Preachers would be better occupied, in these days of doubt and distress, in explaining Judaism to the Jew than in presenting him with a Jesus who is not the Jesus of general Christian acceptance. Christians, too, have something better to do than to woo the Jew in the light of a theory which they cannot impose on the Christian world. They have plenty of better work to occupy them in insisting on the application of their teacher's ideals to the government of the modern world. There may be considerable tracts in which Jew and Christian could join hands for the betterment of the tragic conditions in which we live, and I would not say such action nay. Let Christians make a beginning with Jewish conditions to-day, which are a denial of their creed and an affront to its creator whom they profess to hold in reverence!

Watchman.

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Liverpool, Hope Place ... ... Rev. M. M. Cohen
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Subject: "Throne and Footstool."
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Subject: "בעל שדי."
Sheffield, Wilson Road ... ... Rabbi Barnet I. Cohen, B.A.
Subject: "Determination—or Obstinacy."
Southport, Arnside Road ... ... Rabbi Dr. A. E. Silverstone, M.A.
Subject: "The Call."
(At 4) "Gleanings from the *Sedra*."
Swansea, Goat Street ... ... Rev. J. Weintrobe, B.A.
Subject: "The Leader and his Difficulties."

Forthcoming Events.

Metropolitan.

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Central London Young Mizrachi, Study Circle, conducted by Mr. S. Young, 104, Bethnal Green Road, 8.

Clapton Synagogue, Study Circle, conducted by Rabbi I. B. Zinober, 47, Lea Bridge Road, 8.

Spitalfields Sinai Association, *Gemarah Shiur*, conducted by Rabbi M. Brodsky, 59, Brick Lane, 8.

East London Young Mizrachi, Study Circle, 163, Hanbury Street, 8.

North London Young Mizrachi, Study Circle, conducted by Miss R. L. Bornstein, 186, Dalston Lane, 8.

Stamford Hill Tiphereth Bachurim, Study Circle, conducted by Rabbi Dr. E. W. Kirzner, M.A., 33, Darenth Road, 8.

West End Synagogue, *Chumish Shiur*, conducted by Rabbi H. Ferber, 14, Manette Street, 8.

"**Rosh Pinah**," Study Circle, 16, Keyes Road, 8.30.

Jewish Free Reading Room, Lecture by the Rev. M. Zeffertt, B.A., 103a, Whitechapel Road.

SATURDAY, January 9.

Haskalah Literary Society, Study Circle, conducted by Mr. J. Halpern, M.A., 22, Buxton Street, 3.30.

The Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland, Annual Conference, Slaters' Baltic Restaurant, 27, Leadenhall Street, 5.45.

Young Israel Society, North-West London Branch, Dance, Brondesbury Synagogue Hall, 7.30.

The Plinius Players, Performance in aid of Habonim, Rudolf Steiner Hall, 8.15.

Sir Joseph Lyons' Ladies' Guild, Dance, Marcus Samuel Hall, Egerton Road.

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Anglo-Jewish Association, Council Meeting, Great Western Hotel, Paddington, 3.

Union of Jewish Literary Societies, Lecture by Mr. G. R. Driver, M.A., M.C., Jews' College, Guilford Street, 4.30.

Golders Green Synagogue, Talmud Study Circle, *Siyum*, 4.30.

Great Synagogue, Special Meeting of Seatholders, Synagogue Hall, St. James's Place, 5.30.

Dalston Jewish Social Club, Concert, 59, Poet's Road, 7.30.

North London Young Mizrachi, Lecture by Professor H. Loewe, M.A., 198, Amhurst Road, 7.30.

Jewish Students' Common Room, Discussion (Opener: Mr. M. J. Landa), 28, St. John's Wood Road, 7.30.

Mile End and Bow Social Club, Dance, Synagogue Hall, Harley Street, 7.30.

North London Jewish Club, Dance, 240a, Amhurst Road, 7.30.

Stoke Newington Synagogue Literary Society, Dance, Gustave Tuck Hall, Shacklewell Lane, 7.30.

The Harmony Jewish Social Club, Dance, Mozart House, Albion Road, Stoke Newington, 7.30.

The New Future Club, Dance, 1, Minster Road, Brondesbury, 7.30.

The New Clissold Social Club, Dance, Mornington House, Canonbury Lane, 7.30.

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West London Jewish Social Society, Dance, Communal Hall, 71, Brook Green, 7.30.

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Jews' Free School Old Boys' Club, Soirée, 8.

University of London Jewish Students' Union, Lecture, Cosmo Hotel, Southampton Row, 8.

North London Synagogue Social Society, Dance, John I. Jacobs Hall, Lofting Road, 8.

Harcourt Social Club, Dance, Northumberland Rooms, Northumberland Avenue, 8.

Hampstead Literary and Debating Society, Lecture by Mrs. B. L. King, Synagogue Buildings, Kingdon Road, 8.

The Towers Social Circle, Dance, 59, Finchley Road, 8.

Finsbury Park and District Jewish National Fund Commission, Lecture by Professor Samson Wright, 12, Ridge Road, Hornsey, 8.30.

"**Rosh Pinah**," Lecture by Mr. Leopold Schen, Cricklewood Synagogue Hall, 8.30.

North-West London Jewish Social Society, Social and Dance, Fairfax Hall, Harringay.

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Association of Young Zionist Societies, East London District Council, Public Meeting, Address by Lt.-Col. F. H. Kisch, 4, Fulbourne Street, 8.30.

"**Ort-Oze**," East London Committee, Soirée, Harley Hall, Bow, 8.30.

Hagodol Social Club, Lecture by Dr. W. J. O'Donovan, M.P., Jewish Institute, Mulberry Street, 8.45.

Old Boys' Club, Lecture by Mr. F. W. Roberts, 241, Mile End Road, 8.45.

The Kadimah, Lecture by Mr. M. Kouriansky, LL.B., 26a, Soho Square, 9.

West Ham Jewish Social Club, Lecture by Mr. S. Somper, B.A., Red Triangle Club, Greengate Street.

TUESDAY, January 12.

East London Young Zionist League, Inter-debate with the Bow B'nei Zion, 64, Leman Street, 8.30.

Friends of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Annual Meeting and Address by Dr. Chaim Weizmann, Swedenborg Hall, Hart Street, 8.30.

Hagodol Ladies' Club, Study Circle, conducted by Dayan Dr. A. Feldman, Jewish Institute, Mulberry Street, 8.30.

Haskalah Literary Society, Presidential Address by Mr. L. G. Bowman, M.A., 4, St. James's Place, 8.30.

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Young Israel Society, Golders Green Branch, Lecture by Mr. Hickman, Synagogue Classrooms, Dunstan Road, 8.30.

He-Atid (Brixton Young Zionist Society), Address by Mr. G. Smith, 8.30.

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Jewish Day Nursery, Dance, La Bohème Ballrooms, Mile End Road, 7.30.

Finchley Jewish Literary Society, Social Evening, 7, Crescent Road, Church End, 8.

The New Clissold Social Club, Lecture by Professor L. F. Rushbrook Williams, C.B.E., Mornington House, Canonbury Lane, 8.30.

20th Century Judeans, Inaugural Meeting, Masonic Hall, Harvey Road, Leytonstone, 9.

Egerton Social Society, Inter-debate with the North London Young Israel Society, Marcus Samuel Hall, 9.

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IT is the same with his contention that Jesus is now being stripped by Christians of his divinity. The conclusions of the advanced school of Christian theologians are not necessarily those of the Churches. It has still to be demonstrated that men like Dr. Barnes speak for the generality of Christian preachers and churchgoers. The Rev. R. J. Campbell did not have a very comfortable time at the City Temple when he declaimed his Liberal theories. Much water will flow down the Jordan before Christianity dethrones Jesus from the seat of divine authority on which it has planted him, and consents to accept him just as one of the goodly company of ethical leaders. Until that time comes, a few Jews may perhaps take a mild interest in the founder of Christianity, but it will hardly be general, and perhaps not "sympathetic." As for the supposition that the attitude of Jesus towards the Law was only the attitude of the Prophets, it is surely one thing to denounce the practice of the Law unaccompanied by righteousness in life—which is what I understand the prophetic attitude to have been—and another to attack, uproot and abandon the Law altogether, which is what Christianity has stood for since the Apostles took their faith to the Heathen!

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BUT suppose we concede Dr. Mattuck his postulate and his reasons, what practical point would there be in them for Jew or Gentile? Is he quite convinced that the weakening of the Jews' resistance to the Nazarene would make for the health of Judaism? Are non-Jews quite sure that the goodwill of the Jew, based on the denial of Christian dogma, would advance the interests of Christianity? Might not a situation arise, in which both creeds would be shaken and each lose its way, so to speak, into a desert of sterility? Worse still, I hold that if such an unreal situation as I have sketched were brought to pass—and I do not believe it can be—the very possibility of a Jewish Christian religious *rapprochement* would recoil on the heads of our people. Indeed, Dr. Mattuck, in his address, actually quoted a Christian writer who urged that the alleged interest of Jews in Jesus was a danger to Christianity.

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WHAT I have written above has been written from memory, and if I have in any way misrepresented Dr. Mattuck, it has not been of set purpose. I would only add an expression of grave doubt as to whether all this Judæo-Christian fraternisation carries us anywhere at all. In the way of ethical teaching, Jesus has nothing to offer the Jew. I suggest, with all deference to Dr. Mattuck, that Jewish Preachers would be better occupied, in these days of doubt and distress, in explaining Judaism to the Jew than in presenting him with a Jesus who is not the Jesus of general Christian acceptance. Christians, too, have something better to do than to woo the Jew in the light of a theory which they cannot impose on the Christian world. They have plenty of better work to occupy them in insisting on the application of their teacher's ideals to the government of the modern world. There may be considerable tracts in which Jew and Christian could join hands for the betterment of the tragic conditions in which we live, and I would not say such action nay. Let Christians make a beginning with Jewish conditions to-day, which are a denial of their creed and an affront to its creator whom they profess to hold in reverence!

Watchman.

Obituary.

MR. JULIUS ROSENWALD.

We regret to announce the death, on Wednesday, of Mr. Julius Rosenwald, the famous American Jewish philanthropist. He was said to be the richest Jew in the world.

The deceased was born at Springfield, Illinois, in August, 1862, and was the son of Samuel and Augusta Rosenwald. He was educated at the public schools of Illinois. From 1879 to 1885 he was employed at a firm of wholesale clothing dealers in New York. He then went to Chicago, where he became President of Rosenwald and Weil, and in 1895 was appointed Vice-President and Treasurer of Sears, Roebuck and Co., one of the largest mail-order firms in the world, of which he was later President for many years.

Mr. Rosenwald was noted for his outstanding generosity. He financed numerous expeditions in botany, anthropology and geology, and gave large sums for negro education in the United States. As a result of his activities in this direction, eighteen negro Y.M.C.A. buildings were established in sixteen cities, and over a thousand negro school buildings were erected in the Southern States. He was always a supporter of Jewish charities, with many of which he was prominently identified. He was President of the Associated Jewish Charities of Chicago and of the School for Jewish Workers, Chairman of the Chicago Jewish Relief Committee for War Sufferers, and a Vice-President of the Chicago Hebrew Institute. In 1925 he set a new standard of charity donations, when he gave the sum of a million dollars to the United Jewish Campaign. In the same year he gave 75,000 dollars to the Hebrew Teachers' College in Jerusalem. Other huge gifts of his were three million dollars for the Chicago Industrial Museum and a million dollars for research in scientific farming, while his total donations for the development of Jewish Colonisation in Soviet Russia amounted to six million dollars. He made many gifts to the Hebrew Union College at Cincinnati, including 500,000 dollars as part of an Endowment Fund.

During the War, Mr. Rosenwald gave large sums for the work of relieving distress, particularly in Eastern Europe. He was appointed by President Wilson a member of the Advisory Commission of the Council of National Defence, and in 1919 he went on a special mission to France for the Secretary of War. In the following year he served in Washington as a member of the President's Industrial Conference. In 1920 he acted as assistant to Mr. Herbert Hoover in the Children's Relief Fund.

In 1912 the deceased was elected a Trustee of the University of Chicago in succession to Mr. John D. Rockefeller who had resigned. He was a Vice-President of the American Social Hygiene Association, the Joint Distribution Committee, the American Jewish Committee, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Chicago Sinai Congregation. He was a member of the Advisory Committee of the United States Chamber of Commerce and a governing member of the Art Institute of Chicago and of the Chicago Historical Society. Among the institutions of which he was a life member are the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the American Museum of Natural History and the American Academy in Rome; while he was a Trustee of the Rockefeller Foundation and the Baron de Hirsch Fund.

Mr. Rosenwald was keenly interested in Jewish and Hebrew education and expended a great deal of his energy in encouraging the cultural development of the Jews in America and elsewhere. He was not opposed to Zionism but he explained his attitude at the National Conference of the United Jewish Campaign held in Philadelphia in 1925, when he said: "I have contended rightly or wrongly that the only way to help our co-religionists is to help them where they are. My experience, and what I have been able to find out from the experience of others, shows that subsidised immigration, where you have to transport masses of people, is absolutely impracticable. This is not an opinion that I have formed recently. I am not opposed to Zionism. I have been willing to help any efforts made in Palestine for years, and I have done so; but I do not believe it is possible to establish a family in Palestine, or anywhere else, where land must be bought and the people taken care of until they are self-supporting, for less than 5,000 dollars a family."

It was for the reason expressed in this speech that the late Mr. Rosenwald refused to enter the Jewish Agency, which he felt would expend an amount of work and money quite disproportionate to the help they would be able to render to the Jewish people. The mainspring of Mr. Rosenwald's work was charity, and the value of the National idea did not seem to have captured his imagination. Nevertheless, he identified himself with the widespread protests in America which followed the issue of the notorious Passfield White Paper.

The deceased established a Julius Rosenwald Fund to promote human welfare; he stipulated that the whole of the amount was to be spent within twenty-five years of his death, believing, as he stated in this connection, that one generation was not justified in trying to guide the destinies of the next, but should meet its own needs and leave the future confidently to the coming generation. In 1931 he gave a million dollars to the Berlin City Council for the purpose of establishing a dental clinic for children in the city. On the death of Mr. Louis Marshall, President of the American Jewish Committee, Mr. Rosenwald gave half-a-million dollars to the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, to establish a Louis Marshall Memorial Endowment Fund.

Mr. Rosenwald's first wife, to whom he had been married for nearly forty years, was also a devoted philanthropic worker, and was especially interested in the Girl Guides' movement, of which she was a National Vice-President, and in infant welfare work among coloured children. She died in 1929. Mr. Rosenwald subsequently remarried, his second wife being the mother of Mrs. Rosenwald, junior, the wife of his son, Mr. Lessing Rosenwald.

The deceased was awarded many distinctions in recognition of his services to the cause of human advancement. In September, 1931, when he was given the first of three annual Chicago "merit awards" established by the Chicago Rotary Club, in recognition of his "distinguished services to mankind," over one thousand prominent people of Chicago attended the luncheon given in his honour. Mr. Rosenwald was unable to attend, in consequence of illness, and the award was received on his behalf by his son. Among other distinctions bestowed on the deceased were the Harmon Medal for international work and the Gottheil Medal for the most meritorious service to American Jewry.

Last week, Mr. Rosenwald's five children filed a notice of the incorporation of the "Rosenwald Family Association" for educational, scientific, religious and charitable purposes. This organisation, which is designed to continue the traditions of Julius Rosenwald's work, was started as a completely separate organisation from the Rosenwald Foundation and other of Mr. Rosenwald's charitable activities.

Mr. ERNST H. SCHIFF.

At a Special Meeting of the Jews' Temporary Shelter, Mr. E. Turk, M.B.E., the Hon. Secretary, presiding, the following Resolution was carried:

> The Committee of the Jews' Temporary Shelter desire to place on record their keenest sense of grief at the loss they and the Community at large have sustained by the death of their much-respected colleague, Mr. Ernst H. Schiff. In conveying their innermost sympathy with his brother, their highly-esteemed President, and with Mrs. Schiff and children, they wish to assure them that his noble work on behalf of those who were seeking the hospitality and assistance of the Shelter will for ever be cherished with the sincerest affection by all his co-workers in the Management of the Shelter, and they venture to hope that this will afford those who were near and dear to him some consolation in the great calamity that has befallen them.

Mr. A. Mundy, the Secretary, read a large number of letters of sympathy, including one from Mr. Lionel de Rothschild and from Haham Dr. Gaster.

Mr. Turk said Mr. Schiff's death was deplored by the entire Jewish Community, but by no Institution more deeply and sincerely than by the Jews' Temporary Shelter which was the object of his constant care and attention. Mr. Schiff had helped them greatly three years ago when the question of a new building became urgent, and as Chairman of the Building Committee was largely responsible for many of the ideas which they saw embodied in their new Building. More recently the Shelter came under a great obligation to him for the work he did as Chairman of the Appeal Committee. Mr. Ernst Schiff, in close co-operation with his brother, had also rendered invaluable service in building up and maintaining most excellent relations with the Government Authorities. Mrs. Pinder Davis, Mr. I. Landau, Mr. M. Schiff, Mr. Harry Kosky, J.P., Dr. Morris, and Mr. Mundy associated themselves with Mr. Turk's tribute.

Mr. J. MENDELOWITCH (*Hon. Secretary, Great Synagogue Guild for Social Service*) writes:

By the death of Mr. Ernst H. Schiff the Great Synagogue has lost one of its most distinguished members. It was my good fortune to know Mr. Schiff from the very earliest, when he first came to our Synagogue and accepted the honoured position of Warden, and I must say that I find it exceedingly difficult to pay sufficient tribute to the magnificent and heroic services which he rendered on behalf of the Synagogue. Who can forget the noble work which Mr. Schiff did eight years ago when he helped in the formation of the Great Synagogue Guild for Social Service, and became its first Chairman? It was in March, 1923, that Mr. Schiff originated at a Guild Committee meeting, the splendid idea of providing a *Seder* for necessitous children, an idea which was taken up later by the Welfare Committee of the United Synagogue. It was also in 1923 that Mr. Schiff drew the attention of the Guild to the fact that 250 refugees were stranded in this country in consequence of the quota in America being full, and on the appeal of Mr. Schiff a considerable sum of money was collected. In spite of his other multifarious duties, he always somehow managed to give us at the Great Synagogue of his best, doing his duty all the time sincerely and conscientiously.

Mr. NATHAN MORRIS (*Education Officer and Secretary of the Jewish Religious Education Board*) writes:

In the death of Ernst Schiff Jewish education in this country has lost one of its best and truest friends. In all my years as a teacher I have met but few with such a sincere sympathy for children and such a boundless devotion to every movement that was likely to better their lot. During my association with him on the Jewish Religious Education Board I often found myself marvelling at the extraordinary personal charm of a man who could inspire so much affection in the hearts of the teachers as well as the thousands of children who all knew him and loved him. Nothing that concerned Jewish education was strange to him; no detail of school life was too small for him to treat as an intimate and personal interest of his own. In June, 1930, he was compelled for reasons of health to give up the position of President of the Board which he had occupied for seven years. What a sacrifice that meant to him could only be realized by those who had been infected by his own passion for this cause. His interest in the work of the Board remained as intense as before, and he never missed an opportunity of rendering it some personal service. In a letter which I received only about a fortnight before his death, he expressed regret that he was too ill to attend the Board's Children's *Chanucah* Festival, the initiation of which was largely due to him. In the same letter he went on discussing some details in connection with a scheme for teachers' meetings. As Education Officer of the Board I have known him only for about two years. During that time he was a source of constant inspiration and encouragement to me. One could not lose faith in a cause that had won the heart of such a man.

Mr. ISAAC DAINOW (*Secretary of the Great Synagogue*), writes:

The passing of Mr. E. H. Schiff has come as a severe shock to the East End in general and the Great Synagogue in particular. During his tenure of office he endeared himself to all he came in contact with, by the simplicity of his character and his eagerness to be of assistance to everyone who sought his advice. He hated publicity and detested self-advertisement. He did not believe in talking for talking's sake but always spoke to the point. During the last High Festivals he was absent from the Synagogue for the first time, having decided to go to the Continent for medical treatment; and when he was informed that he would be greatly missed, he instructed me to convey to the seatholders the following message: "Tell them I shall miss them much more than they will miss me." Undoubtedly the Great Synagogue will find it very difficult to replace him. He possessed charm and tact to an extraordinary degree. One cannot realise what a busy man he was unless one had occasion to call at his office, and there would find four or five different members of the staff all awaiting his decision on matters of vital importance. Yet, whenever I telephoned him asking for an appointment as to when he could be seen to discuss Synagogue matters, he invariably replied: "Come as soon as you like, if I can be of any service to you."

MR. C. P. SCOTT.

The death at the age of eighty-five of Mr. C. P. Scott, formerly Editor and, since 1929, Governing Director of the MANCHESTER GUARDIAN, removes a great figure from the world of English journalism and deprives Jewry of a man who was the champion of their cause, as he was of the cause of all those who were oppressed or persecuted. During the fifty-seven years of his Editorship, the columns of the MANCHESTER GUARDIAN were always open for the expression of free opinion and invariably supported the Jews in their protests against persecution and their striving for national emancipation. In 1916, Mr. Scott was, with other non-Jewish friends of the Zionist movement, one of the founders in Manchester of the British Palestine Committee, formed to further the establishment of a Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine. A paper entitled PALESTINE was published by this Committee in Manchester and London, which gave useful information on matters relating to Palestine, and continued publication until 1924. The deceased was an influential mediator between the Zionists and British politicians on many occasions.

At the funeral service at the Manchester Cathedral and at the funeral, Mr. Dan Kostoris was present, representing the World Zionist Executive. Mr. I. Sunlight represented the Zionist Central Council of Manchester and Salford and all Manchester Zionists, and Mr. A. B. Adler represented the Zionist Federation.

Many pulpit tributes have been paid by Jewish Ministers to the late Mr. C. P. Scott and messages of condolence have been sent to the family of the deceased and to the MANCHESTER GUARDIAN by a large number of Jewish individuals and organisations. The Executive of the Jewish Agency speaks of him as having a place in Jewish history as a defender of Jewish rights in every country, and as an influential and helpful champion of the rehabilitation of the Jewish people in its ancient land.

The Rev. Jacob Phillips, President of the Manchester and Salford Jewish Visitation Board, preaching at the Park Place Synagogue on Saturday, said: "Not alone has Manchester suffered a great bereavement, but the whole country will mourn the loss of a brave and godly man. Jews in particular will always cherish his memory, and remember with gratitude the eminent services he rendered to the persecuted and oppressed."

MR. W. DEFRIES.

The death occurred last week of Mr. Wolf Defries, a noted engineer and technical journalist. He was born in 1860 and was educated at University College School and University College, London. He later joined his father's firm, Messrs. Defries and Sons, and was responsible for improvements in the paraffin oil lamp. He was, however, interested in many subjects apart from his professional connections with lighting, such as problems of disinfection, bacterial filtration, and metal founding. He worked in the Ministry of Munitions during the War and received an M.B.E. for his services. He later devoted himself to engineering journalism.

MR. F. M. GETZ (Riga).

Mr. Feivel Meir Getz, who has died in Riga at the age of eighty-two, was known as the *Utchony Evrei* (Learned Jew) of the Tsarist Russian Government during the *régime* of the late Mr. Stolypin. At one time the deceased held the appointment of *Rapporteur* on Jewish education at the Tsarist Russian Ministry of Education. He was also a lecturer at the Vilna Teachers' Training College, which was established by the Tsarist Government. As a well-known Hebrew scholar he was engaged to teach Hebrew to several noted Russians in pre-Soviet Russia, including the famous Count Tolstoy. He was also the author of several books and was a contributor to many Jewish newspapers in Russia and in Central and Western Europe including THE JEWISH CHRONICLE.

[*In consequence of pressure on space a number of notices, tributes, etc., have had to be held over from this issue.*]

Wills and Bequests.

MR. HENRY PHILLIPS, of Newport, Mon., who died on October 28th, left estate of the gross value of £19,602, with net personalty £13,982. He left £100 to the Newport Hebrew Congregation and £50 to the "Priscilla and Emmanuel Jacobs" Fund for the purposes of such fund.

Among other Wills proved recently are the following:

	Gross
COHEN, ISRAEL W., of Higher Broughton (net personalty £8,319)	£35,731
MAYER, Professor MAX MICHAEL, of Manchester (net personalty £7,911)	£7,970

Inter-University Jewish Federation.

ANNUAL WINTER CONFERENCE.

The Annual Winter Conference of the Federation was held last week at Jews' College, About sixty delegates were present representing the Executive and fourteen Constituent Societies. The Conference opened with Mr. L. J. Stoll (the Chairman), proposing a vote of condolence on behalf of the Federation with the family of the late Mr. Ernst Schiff. Mr. M. Gordon Liverman, J.P., Mr. I. Landau, and Dr. I. Simonis, M.D., welcomed the members of the Conference on behalf of the Jewish Community. They referred to the co-operation of the Federation with the B'nai B'rith and the active part the B'nai B'rith is playing in connection with the Jewish Students' Centre at the Communal Hall. Messages for a successful Conference were read from the President of the Federation, Dr. N. Morris, M.D., and Mr. B. B. Benas, B.A., LL.B., Hon. Vice-President.

Mr. M. Goldberg, M.A., Chairman of the Federation, in his report, dealt with the activities of the Federation. He stressed the work of the Educational Department on a Synopsis dealing with the structure of the Anglo-Jewish Community in its religious, social, communal, educational, Press, and other aspects. The Treasurer, Mr. J. Jaffe, LL.B., submitted the financial statement. The Secretary, Mr. L. J. Stoll, reported an increase in membership of 150 during the year, making the total membership, 855. The Secretary and the Asst. Foreign Secretary (Mr. M. Teofil, B.A.) attended the International Student Service Conference at Nyon, Switzerland, at which an attempt was made to solve the anti-Semitic student problem by a series of lectures and debates.

A resolution was adopted by the Conference deploring the outrageous conduct of Polish students in their attacks on Jewish students in the University towns. Reports from Constituent Societies were submitted, showing in most cases satisfactory progress. The Summer School report showed a profit of £133, and the total number of students attending was about 300. Mr. M. Teofil, delivered the foreign department report, which stated that the main work of that department was concerned with studying and effecting protests on anti-Semitism in the various countries.

Mr. M. Goldberg, M.A. and Mr. M. Louvish, M.A. delivered the reports of the educational department, which aimed at the discussion of the synopsis by individual members at study circles rather than at public lectures and debates. Reports were read by representatives on the Association of Jewish Youth, the Council for Jewish Adult Education, the Jerusalem University Library and Hostel Committees, and the Registrar of the Graduates' Roll. The affiliation of the Melbourne Graduates and Undergraduates' Association to the Federation was accepted. It was decided to resume the publication of THE ACADEMY, the organ of the Inter-University Jewish Federation, which had been in abeyance for three years.

The following officers were elected: Dr. N. Morris, M.D., President; Messrs. Bertram B. Benas, B.A., LL.B., D. B. Stanhill, M.Sc., F.I.C. and F. M. Landau, LL.B., Vice-Presidents; L. J. Stoll (London), Chairman; M. Goldberg, M.A. (Glasgow), Vice-Chairman for the North; A. L. Dolland, LL.B. (London), Vice-Chairman for the South; F. Marks (Manchester), Treasurer; D. Blank (5, Langford Road, Heaton Chapel, Manchester), Secretary; Miss M. Farber (Manchester), Asst. Secretary; Miss J. Sayers, B.A. (Dublin), Asst. Secretary for Ireland; Messrs. A. Lewis (London), Director of Summer School; M. Teofil, B.A. (Birmingham), Foreign Secretary; J. G. Nussbaum (Liverpool), Assistant Foreign Secretary; A. Blunk (Glasgow), Secretary of Education Committee; J. Cohen, B.A., B.Sc. (Cambridge), Registrar of Graduates' Roll; D. B. Stanhill, M.Sc., F.I.C. (London), Representative on Jerusalem Library and Hostel Committees; Miss E. Bezinsky (London), Representative to University Zionist Federation; The Rev. A. S. Super, B.A. (London) and Mr. G. Stone, LL.B. (London), Representatives on Committee of Adult Education; Messrs. F. M. Landau, LL.B., A. L. Dolland, LL.B., S. G. Schwab (Cambridge), A. D. Portrait (Oxford), M. Lew, B.A. (London), Representatives to Association of Jewish Youth; The Rev. A. S. Super, Messrs. F. M. Landau, M. Goldberg, and B. Marmorstein, "The Academy" Editorial Board.

The social side of the Conference was arranged by the University of London Jewish Students' Union and the London University Zionist Society. On Friday night, December 25th, the guests were entertained by the Rev. and Mrs. J. Israelstam, at 91, Dartmouth Road, N.W., and Mrs. Berko, 48, Cazenove Road, N. Special Services were held on Sabbath morning, in the Cricklewood and Shacklewell Lane Synagogues, where Dayan Dr. Feldman and Rabbi Harris Cohen delivered sermons. A debate was held at the Cricklewood Synagogue on Saturday night, December 26th, followed by receptions by Mr. L. Pilichowski, at Hill Road, N.W., and Mr. J. Weinbaum, Amhurst Park, N.16. On Sunday evening, a successful dance was held at the First Avenue Hotel, W.C.1, and on Monday evening a final reception was given by Dr. and Mrs. S. Sacks, at Mapesbury Road, N.W.

The Friends of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Annual Meeting will be held at the **Swedenborg Hall, Hart St., W.C.1**
on *TUESDAY, 12th JANUARY, 1932, at 8.30 p.m.*
Sir Philip Hartog in the chair. Dr. CHAIM WEIZMANN will give an address on "The Progress of the Hebrew University."
The Rt. Hon. Sir Matthew Nathan & Mr. Norman Bentwich will speak.
All interested are invited. Tickets on application to the Hon. Secretary:
Miss R. Derenburg, 28, Hyde Park Square, W.2.

Books and Bookmen.

ROSENHEIM JUBILEE VOLUME.

"Festschrift fur Jacob Rosenheim"—ספר היובל (J. Kauffmann Verlag, Frankfurt-a-M., 1931. Price M. 12.50).

Reviewed by Rabbi Dr. I. Epstein.

Jacob Rosenheim, the President of the *Agudat Yisrael* World Organisation and foremost leader of "militant" Orthodoxy has recently completed the sixtieth year of his life. Prompted by the desire to honour him and to pay a tribute to his remarkable personality and achievements on behalf of the cause they have close at heart, a group of friends and admirers have marked the occasion by the publication of a Jubilee Volume to which thirty-nine writers, not a few of great distinction, have contributed.

The collection falls into two sections. In the Hebrew portion there are two articles of practical moment. The problem of woman suffrage in Jewish communal self-government is the theme of a learned *Halachic* disquisition by Rabbi Dr. A. Spitzer of Hamburg. He tackles the question both from what he terms the "active" and "passive". aspects; and basing himself on a mass of data drawn from rabbinic literature he arrives at conclusions denying women the "active" right of electing and the "passive" right of being elected. Considering the problem strictly from the *Halachic* viewpoint, though there can be no question as to the impressiveness of the material collected, it is doubtful whether Rabbi Spitzer has been successful in proving his case. Paradoxically enough, while he finds no valid objection to woman holding juridical office, he declares her appointment on the Executive, with "coercive" powers (*sic.*) to be אסור מן התורה. Nor is he easy to follow in his argument that the woman has no right to vote because she is not obliged to vote. The legal side of the problem is, however, closely connected with the moral side of it, and here Dr. Spitzer will carry more readers with him. He describes all the agitation in favour of women suffrage as an attack on the conception of the Jewish home, and of the place of Jewish woman in the economy of the household; and he produces the neat epigram that the woman should rather seek to rule through her influence than to influence through her rule.

Rabbi J. Horowitz's (Frankfurt), contribution is by far the more complete and scholarly discussion on the difficult problem of birth control and contraceptives. He sharply distinguishes between economic considerations and those of health. In the former case the practice stands condemned; in the latter, his views approximate in a sense to the decisions of the Bishops at the last Lambeth Conference.

In the German section there is hardly a dull chapter; and we should be hard put to it to make a selection. No one, however, reading the volume, ought to miss Maximilian Landau's appreciation of Rosenheim, and M. Auerbach's thoughtful article "Moral und Politik," in which he examines the present-day world crisis in the light of the Jewish conception of the inseparableness of politics and morality. Nor ought any student of religious philosophy to spare himself the trouble of studying the highly important contribution by J. Wolgemuth, who discusses the implications of Max Scheler's phenomenological theory of knowledge in relation to Judaism. S. Schachnowitz's "Zwei Erkenntnisse und ein Bekenntniss," being a comparative study of *Mussar* and *Chassidism*, is to be recommended as lighter reading.

One cannot, however, conclude this notice without a passing reference to S. Schönfeld's parables of the "*Chofetz Chayyim*" in the Hebrew section, each of which is a moral gem from which the reader rises a better Jew and a better man.

Seldom has the Jewish public been offered such a stimulating and elevating collection full of positive and constructive Jewish teaching.

APPETISING FARE.

"The Elian Miscellany," by S. M. Rich (Herbert Joseph, 12s. 6d.)

This a collection of writings in prose and verse about Charles Lamb. There is a certain piquancy about this book. He is probably the most lovable and friendly figure in the whole of English literature. Yet he had two pet aversions—Jews and schoolmasters. The compiler of this anthology is both a Jew and a schoolmaster, and he prefaces his work with an exquisite sonnet in the true Elian vein of whimsicality. "Lamb, with all thy faults, I love thee still," may be said to express his attitude. But his admiration does not prevent him from contributing a spirited defence of the two victims of Lamb's "imperfect sympathies." The works of one hundred famous authors have been drawn upon for this delightful collection. It is interesting to find that Sir T. N. Talfourd, the friend and first biographer of Lamb, said of him: "His personal appearance and manner are not unfitly characterised by what he himself says regarding John Braham—'A compound of the Jew, the gentleman and the angel.'" George Daniel, another close friend, also speaks of Lamb's "expressive, thoughtful set of features inclining to the Hebrew cast." So richly appetising has our author made his Lamb, that the book is sure to be relished by all lovers of Elia, even including Jews and pedagogues. HUGH HARRIS.

Notes on Books and Authors.

Yet another noble veteran in the field of Jewish letters has passed away. The publication of HAZOFEH, the Hebrew scientific review appearing at Budapest, is to cease with the present issue. It was founded in 1912 by Dr. L. Blau, under whose editorship and inspiration it has since remained; and, for twenty years (with a brief interruption during the war period) it has been one of the outstanding periodicals of its kind. Among its principal English contributors were Dr. Duschinsky and Dr. Marmorstein. Despite its highly creditable record, present economic conditions render its continuance impossible. In the Rabbinic phrase: "Woe for those that are lost and leave their place unfilled."

On the other hand, it is pleasant to be able to record that the MONATSSCHRIFT FUER GESCHICHTE UND WISSENSCHAFT DES JUDENTUMS, regarding the future of which unhappy rumours have been current, has given an assurance that there is no thought whatsoever of its suspending publication. The current number completes its seventy-fifth year of yeoman service to the cause of Jewish scholarship; and it will in future be issued in an improved form.

The Rev. Michael Adler's paper on the Mediæval Jews of Exeter, read in that city on June 24th, 1931, and subsequently in London, before the Jewish Historical Society, is published in the current (sixty-third) volume of the Transactions of the Devonshire Association for the Advancement of Science, Literature and Art.

It displays all the characteristics which we have come to associate with Mr. Adler's work on pre-Expulsion English Jewry—industry, clarity, and comprehensiveness. No greater compliment can be paid to it than to say that it forms a worthy companion piece to his masterly study on the Jews in Mediæval Canterbury. It is more than a little ironic that this paper is published by a non-Jewish association with such commendable promptitude, whereas our own Jewish Historical Society keeps us waiting indefinitely for "The Jews of Mediæval Bristol," paper delivered before it some years ago.

Sir John Marriott's latest book, THE MAKERS OF MODERN ITALY, NAPOLEON-MUSSOLINI (The Clarendon Press, 10s.) is an amplified and almost re-written edition of an earlier work on the same subject published many years ago. Its Jewish interest is considerable, since it provides the background for the story of the emancipation of the Jews in Italy, which began with the French Revolution and ended with the capture of Rome in 1870. Only two characters of Jewish origin, however, figure in it—Sydney Sonnino, Foreign Minister at the time of Italy's entry into the War in 1915, and Daniel Manin, inspirer of the glorious but short-lived Venetian Republic of 1848-9. The latter's grandparents were a Jewish couple of the name of Medina—not Fonseca, as is generally stated. It is a little surprising that there is no reference in the work to personages like Luigi Luzzatti, Isaac Pezaro Maurogonato, or Isaac Artom, Cavour's Secretary and right-hand man.

The Liberal Jewish Synagogue is reverting, in literary as in some other respects, to traditional practice. RELIGION AND POLITICS, by Dr. C. G. Montefiore and Rabbi I. I. Mattuck (the twenty-ninth of the PAPERS FOR JEWISH PEOPLE published by the Jewish Religious Union), is little different from a seventeenth-century 'Case of Conscience,' or a *Sheelah uTeshuba* dealing with a theoretical problem. It consists of a discussion on the question whether organised religion should or should not concern itself with the consideration and criticism of political affairs. Rabbi Mattuck who set the ball rolling in his last Day of Atonement sermon, adopts a definitely anti-Erastian standpoint. Dr. Montefiore politely but vigorously registers only a qualified approval. But the argument must be read to be appreciated. C.R.

EPSTEIN THE MAN.

"The Sculptor Speaks," Jacob Epstein to A. L. Haskell (Heineman, 8s. 6d.)

This book is written from a series of conversations that Mr. Haskell had with Epstein over a period of two years.

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It is entirely free from the taint of the interviewer, who tries to make his subject say what he thinks the public want, and will probably be a revelation to those who look upon Epstein as a rebel. It reveals him as a thinking traditionalist—which is exactly what anyone who has studied his work would expect. He has no theory of art—he leaves that to those who cannot create—and he refuses to explain his work. "People will not make an effort to understand art," he says. "Everything comes so easily nowadays. Art almost alone cannot make any concessions. I certainly will not explain my work. The explanation lies in the work itself. It is my last word."

What Epstein does, however, in this book is to discuss sculpture in general, which involves discussion of his own work and the way it has been received. He is hard on the critics, but in my opinion justly so. He complains that English critics have a literary rather than a plastic mind, even when they are "disappointed failures as artists," and it is rarely indeed that Epstein's work has been criticised as sculpture. Yet that surely is as far as the province of the art critic extends. People have objected to Epstein's conception of Venus, of Christ, of Rima, of Night and Day and of Genesis, yet, as he pleads, he has as much right to his conception as anyone else, and most people's conceptions are second-hand. The sole concern of the critic should be to judge the work as sculpture, and Epstein has never complained of such criticism; his only complaint in fact is that it has been denied him. The book is outspoken without loss of restraint or toleration, and not the least of its value lies in the thirty-four photographs of Epstein's works that have never appeared in book form before.

FRANCIS G. STONE.

The French Art Exhibition.

WHAT IS THE TRUE PLACE OF PISSARRO?

When I first entered the French exhibition at Burlington House habit led me to the left, where I immediately found myself not among the primitives as in the Italian Exhibition, but the moderns. Gauguin met my eyes at once. Resisting temptation, I crossed the vestibule and started on the right. A thought on the plan of the galleries reveals a very good reason for this change. The big room was Room Three for the Italians, for the French it is Room Nine. Italian art represents a gradual deterioration, ending in a complete flickering-out. French art is a steady growth right up to to-day. That is the really fundamental thing about this French exhibition, the steady sense of climax on climax. From Jean Clouet to Cézanne is 350 years, during which time there were heights and depths, but the torch never went out, as the Italian torch definitely did, and one can only be accused of under-statement if one says that there are as many masterpieces in the last French room as in any of the others.

Among this late flowering is a selection of ten works by the Jewish painter, Camille Pissarro. Unfortunately, this very generous treatment acts as a boomerang, for Pissarro was so far from being the greatest of the impressionists that one feels that his real value was as an inspiration to his younger fellow-rebels rather than as a creative artist himself. Compare, for instance, "La Vue de l'Ermitage prés Pontoise" (No. 422) with its companion by Renoir, "Paysage à Wargemont" (No. 425). The shapes are well arranged, but that is all. Even the soil looks dead, whereas Renoir's is bursting with fertility. There is poetry, however, and a lovely colour-idea in "Le Louvre" (No. 475), but here again there is something wrong. Perhaps it is the agitation of the trees that comes periously near dividing the picture into two, so that one wants to give the Louvre ever such a little push to bring it further into the canvas. In "La Route de Versailles à Louveciennes" (No. 509), the effect of sunlight is killed by the cold colours that Pissarro deliberately chose. Of "Les Tuileries" (No. 510) he himself says in a letter to Monet, "the friends who told you I had some fine pictures of the Tuileries are very indulgent. I am not very well pleased with them. I have done better work. I am struggling against old age."

There is "Les Myottes" (No. 952) a fresh and gay pastel that is fit to stand by any work in the same medium, but apart from this solitary picture one's hopes are dashed each time and one's eye strays to the infinitely more lovely things all round. This reaction may be largely personal, but it has to be stated, and may serve to make us consider what Pissarro's contribution to art really was. These quiet paintings of a quiet man are of a type that is very necessary in the history of painting, for they put an objective brake on the subjective tendencies that are always liable to arise in a period of revolution in art. Yet it is my belief that Pissarro's influence was greater than can be seen from any of his canvases. For he was the eldest of this little group of independents who were treading an entirely unpathed way (he was born in 1830, not 1850 as the catalogue states) and he trod it, uncorrupted throughout his seventy-three years, nearly always in the face of the fiercest poverty. Yet he remained to the end gentle and simple, with no trace of hardness or bitterness, in love with beauty. Renoir and Monet and Sisley may each have painted better, but who shall say how they would have painted without the unquenchable influence of Pissarro?

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THE LETTERS OF BENAMMI.

No. 635.—Casuistry.

MY DEAR COUSIN,

The dictionary tells you that Casuistry is the science, doctrine or department of ethics dealing with cases of conscience. The demands of ethics may be quite clear, yet special cases arise which call for particular solution. Almost everybody every day in the week is considering and solving a problem of casuistry. An example or two may serve as an illustration.

"Thou shalt not steal" is a generally recognised rule of conduct. Suppose you found a shilling, are you justified in keeping it? Your conscience may be troubled about the right course to adopt; but a consideration of all the circumstances—the time, the place, the condition of the finder, the effect on the loser—may by casuistry lead to a definite course satisfactory to your conscience.

Take another case. Are there circumstances in life in which you may lie? Some people might hastily answer, Never! Yet there are instances where lying may be better than truth. If you should meet a homicidal maniac pursuing a man with a view to murdering him, and he asks you whether the man has passed your way, it would surely be admitted that lying in this instance is commendable. Lying is a legitimate branch of the art of warfare; it is permitted to priests to guard the secrets of the confessional. Questions of this character belong to casuistry; in this sense we are all casuists.

In its original meaning the term left no bad taste. While normally it was a sound rule of conduct to follow the course most probably right, what if the more probable course be less safe than the less probable? It has been suggested that there is room for legitimate casuistry in the sphere of conduct. But casuistry has been utilised to bolster up impossible positions—sometimes even to attempt to prove that white is black or black white. Sometimes also casuistry assisted in the process of making out a case for what was obviously dishonest or underhand or even merely stupid. The name of the Jesuits has been associated with this kind of casuistry. A particularly striking example of casuistry at its worst is the statement, made in 1598 by a Sicilian cleric, that the Inquisition was really set up after the Divine example. God was the first scourge of heretics; his expulsion of Adam from Eden was a model of kindliness followed by the judges of the Inquisition, and the clothing that God provided for Adam and Eve was the prototype of the *sanbenito*, the heretic's shirt prescribed by the Inquisition. If this is not the devil quoting Scripture, what is? The writer goes further and declares that Ferdinand and Isabella expelled the Jews from Spain with the same justice as God drove Adam from Paradise!

Some of the questions that agitated the medieval Christian theologians sound somewhat fantastic to modern ears. Their solution was found by the aid of casuistry. We are bidden to love God. How frequently should we love God—how many times a day? Some said every hour, some once a day, some once a week. Others again argued that this frequency need not be particularised, since if a man live the truly Christian life, he will be in a constant state of loving God.

Such are some of the results of casuistry, which at certain periods of history was given a place of honour in human thought. Responsible thinkers wrote books about it; in 1683 a professorship of "moral theology on casuistical divinity" was founded at Cambridge. But casuistry was by no means only scholastic, medieval or even Christian. It was a method of reasoning known and practised in the ancient world. The Romans were acquainted with it; so were the Jews. Indeed, the Rabbis of the Talmud developed casuistry into a fine art. Theirs was the higher kind of casuistry; it was left to Rabbis of later ages to bring casuistical reasoning into disrepute.

When the Talmudic system of law is considered, it must be admitted that it is an impressive structure built on a particular foundation. What was that foundation? That the *Torah* is the word of God and that the highest behest of religion is to obey the words of the *Torah*. Consequently for all duties in life it was necessary to find sanction in Holy Writ. Here casuistry came to the rescue. Sometimes it was effective, at others its teaching was by no means convincing. Let an example or two be adduced. In commenting on the Scriptural statement, "And He called unto Moses and the Lord said unto him," the Talmud deduces the lesson that a man should not convey his thoughts to his fellow before having called upon him first to listen. No one will quarrel with the moral. Its authority is obtained by casuistry. Take another illustration. Rabbi Jeremiah ben Elazar taught: "In his presence praise a man only partially; if you desire to praise him completely, do so behind his back." Where in the *Torah* is the sanction for this distinction? In God's intercourse with Noah. When God speaks to Noah direct, what are His words? "For only thee have I found righteous before me in this generation." What are the words of Holy Writ in speaking of Noah behind his back? "A righteous man, perfect he was in his generation."

A good deal of ingenuity was required to provide texts for the great problems of life. No one will need to complain of the lack of ingenuity in the pages of the Talmud. Some of it is brilliant. But as life proceeds it becomes more and more complex, and the intricate problems of modern Jewish life call for even greater ingenuity than of old to find Divine sanctions for latter-day needs. You can utilise casuistry up to a point. But beyond it, it fails you. Some of the casuistic performances of later Rabbinic authority sink to the level of the ridiculous. Take a simple illustration, known to students of the codes. Why are *Tephillin* worn on the left hand? Because in the *Torah* you may read "And it shall be for a sign on thy hand." You would have expected the Hebrew word ידך; instead the text has the irregular form ידכה. Split up this word into two and you get יד כה, *i.e.* the weak hand, that is the left hand. *Q.E.D*—by casuistry. Let another instance be quoted, again in reference to *Tephillin*. A mystic writes that he who is careful of his *Tephillin*, who is punctilious in regard to their sanctity, may be assured that he will have a share in the world to come. The proof? The writer quotes three words from the prophet Isaiah: ה״ עליהם יחיו, that is, "When God (on the *Tephillin*) is over them, they shall live." Hardly a convincing text. But modern translators turn the Hebrew into the English sentence: "O Lord, by these things men live." There can be only one answer: Casuistry is casuistry.

It would not be difficult to add instance after instance of casuistry in Jewish theological writings. But there is no need to do so, because the facts are admitted. So long as religious life is rooted in the principle—some might call it the assumption—that the *Torah* is Divine, that every word and every letter in it is fraught with import and meaning, so long will you need to utilise casuistry for deciding any course of action. In its extreme form it is known as *Pilpul*, a method of Talmud study which was responsible for much that was undesirable and unattractive in Jewish life. The disgust of the *Chassidim* with the Talmudic casuistry of their time is intelligible. They turned from the mental gymnastics of the students of the Talmud to the freshness and beauty of life. Their movement was a reaction against Casuistry. Casuistry is dry-as-dust; the human soul will inevitably rebel against it.

The pity of it is that Jewish life is still, in theory at any rate, under the dominance of religious casuistry. Our whole Rabbinic system is casuistical and the casuistry is mixed in quality. Fortunately this casuistry has only a theoretic hold on life. Many of us profess lip-service to the system, but our life and conduct are wholly out of accord with it. Hence, earnest thinkers in all camps have called a halt to what must be termed religious dishonesty. The Orthodox protagonists, who of necessity accept the *Torah* as basic, plead for a new, a better, a higher, a more convincing casuistry. The Liberals, who desire the same goal, have thrown casuistry overboard completely and have liberated themselves from its control altogether. Both groups, it would seem, are seeking for the same result—to bring life and its needs into accord with religious teaching, remembering that, when all is said, the first duty of man is to love God wholeheartedly, and the second to lay up God's word in his heart. Will casuistry contribute to achieve this end? If it will, let it flourish; but if not, those are perhaps in the right who reject it utterly.

Your loving cousin,

BENAMMI.

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The Origin of the Seven-day Week.

From the Rev. Dr. A. COHEN, M.A.

To the EDITOR OF THE JEWISH CHRONICLE.

SIR,—Benammi's letter on the Saturday contains several inaccuracies which call for correction. It is not true that "the Babylonians adopted the seven-day week from the Chaldees, and the Jews took over the method of reckoning from the Babylonians." Alfred Jeremias, who is anything but a conservative authority, has written, "The week of seven days running through the whole solar year is a peculiarity of the Israelite calendar. Whence the Israelites took it is not known. Material up to the present time available shows in Babylon only a continuous succession of five-day weeks" (*The Old Testament in the Light of the Ancient East*," I., p. 198).

The theory that the Hebrew Sabbath was borrowed from Babylon was advanced by Friedrich Delitzsch and at first found too ready acceptance. His arguments are now thoroughly discredited, and an eminent archæologist like Professor Clay has declared, "The idea of derivation from Babylonia is so completely exploded that the scholars who have put it forward should openly retract." For an examination of the whole problem, a volume entitled *Israel and Babylon*, by W. L. Wardle, is recommended, from which the last sentence has been cited (p. 242).

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NOTES ON THE *SEDRA*.

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Sabbath וארא, Exodus vi., 2—ix., 35.

VI., 26. "These are that Aaron and Moses." Since the Hebrew has הוא and not הם, the more accurate translation would be: "That is the Aaron and Moses." The pronoun corresponds to our use of *id est* and that is why it is in the singular. It indicates that the purpose of the genealogical table which had just been detailed, is to inform the reader of the origins and connections of the men who are about to figure so prominently in the narrative. An exactly analogous example will be found in Numbers xxvi., 9, with reference to Dathan and Abiram. Aaron is here mentioned first because, being the elder, he takes priority in the family list.

This is a fitting place to consider the chronological problem presented by the Biblical data in the matter of the length of the servitude in Egypt. In Exodus xii., 40 we have the explicit statement, "The time that the children of Israel dwelt in Egypt was four hundred and thirty years." This tallies with the prophetical forecast of Genesis xv., 13, "They shall afflict them four hundred years," since we clearly have the period mentioned here in round figures. The difficulty arises when we endeavour to fit into such a lengthy space of time the generations between Jacob and Moses. The ancestor of Moses, Kohath, is named among the seventy who descended to Egypt. We are not informed how old he was then, but he died at the age of 133 (Exod. vi., 18). His son Amram lived to be 137 (*ibid.* 20), and Moses was eighty at the time of the Exodus (vii., 7). Consequently, even if we assumed the extreme improbability that Kohath was a mere infant at the time of the immigration, and that Amram was born in the year that Kohath died, and Moses was likewise born in the year of his father's death, we still have only a total of 350; and there is a shortage of eighty years to be accounted for.

A still larger discrepancy is discovered when the position is examined from the standpoint of Moses' lineage through his mother. Levi died when he was 137 (Exod. vi., 16); and since he was among the oldest of Jacob's sons, he must have been of mature age when the family migrated to Egypt. Abarbanel calculates that he was forty-four, which would mean that he resided in that country ninety-three years. Moses' mother is described as a daughter of Levi (Exod. ii., 1), and even if we suppose that this means, as it sometimes does in the Bible, his granddaughter, it becomes at once evident that it is quite impossible to fill in a gap of over four hundred years.

The problem was felt long ago and was solved on the hypothesis that the period is to be reckoned not from the date of the migration but from the time of the prophecy to Abraham. The Talmud accordingly declares that the actual stay in Egypt was 210 years; and the same solution is found in the ancient Versions. The Septuagint renders xii., 40, in this manner: "The sojourning of the children of Israel, during which they dwelt in Egypt *and in the land of Canaan*, was 430 years." The Samaritan recension has: "The sojourn of the children of Israel and of their fathers in the land of Canaan and in the land of Egypt was 430 years." The paraphrase of Targum Jonathan reads: "The days which the children of Israel stayed in Egypt were thirty times seven years, that is 210 years; but 430 years had elapsed from the time when God spoke to Abraham, on the fifteenth of Nisan, between the pieces" (see Genesis xv., 10 ff.).

This explanation is by no means convincing in view of the clear declaration: "*They shall afflict them* four hundred years," which can only mean that the Israelites would serve in Egypt for that time. It is furthermore impossible to see how within the short space of two centuries a body of seventy immigrants could have increased to such numerical strength as to become a formidable danger to the Egyptians and grow into the huge host which left Egypt. The longer period is, therefore, the more probable. We have consequently to assume that "the fourth generation" of Genesis xv., 16, refers to four generations born in Egypt, and the genealogical table in the present chapter is not complete. Since it is compiled with a definite purpose, viz., of tracing the lineage of Moses and Aaron, links in the chain have been omitted which the writer considered irrelevant to the main point at issue.

Jewish Institute Clubs.

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PERFORMANCE BY NEW ARTS PLAYERS' GUILD.

Mr. Barnett Janner, M.P. and Mrs. Janner were among the large audience present last Sunday evening, at the Jewish Institute, Mulberry Street, Commercial Road, E., when the New Arts Players' Guild gave a concert and dramatic performance to the members of the Hagodol Social Club and the Hagodol Ladies' Club, both of which are associated with the activities of the Institute, which are conducted under the Hon. Wardenship of Dr. E. Bernstein, Ph.D. Three plays were presented during the evening including "Petticoat Parliament," "The Little Mirror," by Noah Elstein, and Gertrude and Jack Landa's "For All Eternity." Mr. Harry Zimmerman, was responsible for arranging and producing all the various items on the programme. At the conclusion of the performance, Mr. Barnett Janner congratulated Mr. Zimmerman and his artists.

Dr. E. Bernstein, on behalf of the Hagodol Social Club and Hagodol Ladies' Club, thanked Mr. Zimmerman and the members of his company for their services, which he said were productive of an evening of undiluted enjoyment. He hoped in the near future to see the activities of the Guild housed in the Jewish Institute where every facility for the advancement of Jewish drama would be offered.

JEWISH COOKERY.

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Seasonable Recipes.

Pea Soup.

Split peas, 1 pint.
2 onions.
1 turnip.
Salt and pepper.
Water or stock, 2 qts.
1 carrot.
2 or 3 sticks of celery.
Dried mint.

SOAK the peas for twelve hours with a pinch of bicarbonate of soda added to the water. Drain them and put in a saucepan with the water or stock, and the vegetables cut up in small pieces; simmer for three hours. Rub through a sieve, season and re-heat. Sprinkle a little dried mint over, and serve with croutons of fried bread.

Suet Dumplings.

Self-raising flour, 8 oz.
Shredded suet, 3 oz.
Water, 1 gill.
Salt.

MIX the flour and suet, add a good pinch of salt and sufficient water to make a dough. Roll into small balls. Flour them and add to stewed meat or boiled beef, allowing about three-quarters-of-an-hour for them to cook.

Marmalade Pudding.

Flour, 4 oz.
Breadcrumbs, 4 oz.
Shredded suet, 4 oz.
Sugar, 2 oz.
Marmalade, 3 tablespoonfuls.
2 eggs.
Baking powder, ½ teaspoonful.

MIX all the dry ingredients together; mix the marmalade with the beaten egg, add to the other ingredients and mix thoroughly, turn into a greased basin. Cover with a greased paper and steam for 2½ hours; turn out on to a hot dish and serve with marmalade sauce.

Marmalade Sauce.

Marmalade, 2 tablespoonfuls.
Water, 4 tablespoonfuls.
Juice of ½ lemon.

PUT ingredients in a saucepan, bring to the boil, strain, reboil and serve hot.

Stewed Calf's Liver.

Calf's liver, 1 lb.
Flour, 2 oz.
3 onions.
2 potatoes.
Dripping, 2 oz.
Stock (or water), 1 pt.
2 apples.
Salt and pepper.

CUT the liver into small pieces and dip in seasoned flour. Melt the dripping and fry the liver a nice brown, then take out the liver, add the remaining flour, and when brown gradually stir in the stock (or water). Stir till boiling then return the liver to the sauce together with the onions, apples and potatoes peeled and cut up into small pieces. Simmer *gently* for an hour. Season and serve very hot.

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A COMMUNITY IN LONDON.

BY MOSES LEVENE.

There has recently been established in London a Synagogue of a Jewish Community consisting of about 200 souls, unique in its character. The members of this Synagogue are mostly Jews from Meshed in Persia who, until they settled in London, owed dual allegiance to Islam and Judaism. They were the Jewish Marranos of Persia.

I visited this house of worship last Sabbath and was gratified to find that the majority of the congregants were young people, all Sabbath observers. The prayers, with few exceptions, harmonised with the Sphardic *Nusach*, and were read by three youthful members of the Congregation. I entered into conversation with one of the leaders of the Community and he unfolded to me a remarkable story which should be of prime interest to every Jew.

Compulsory Conversion.

About a century ago, their grandfathers who lived in Meshed, near the Russo-Turkestan border, were forced to embrace Islam in order to save their lives and property. The cause of this decree was a *Purim* celebration in which the Meshed Jews made merry and burned the effigy of Haman. The fanatical *Shiite* Mohammedans spread the rumour that their patron saint Ali had been profaned in effigy. As a result a massacre followed in which a number of Jews were killed and their property was confiscated. By order of the chief Mullah, destruction was temporarily suspended, so as to allow the elders of the Jewish Community to be summoned and accept his offer of security against acceptance of Islam. About 1,500 Jews accepted the Mullah's advice; the rest fled to Bokhara, Turkestan and Afghanistan. This was the beginning of the dual life of these Jews, who in open daily life were Moslems, but, in the recesses of their homes, jealously guarded the traditional principles of Israel. This mode of existence is still the lot of their brethren in Meshed.

These Jews, as Mohammedans, have their special Mosque where the Muezzin calls them to prayers. Special services and prayers are used on the first ten days of the Muharem month, which is the beginning of the Mohammedan New Year. In the fasting month of Ramadan, they pretend to abstain from food, and participate in all the Moslem Festivals. Until the recent Persian revolution, these Jews when travelling abroad, were described on their passports as of the Mohammedan faith.

Underground Judaism.

Secretly as Jews, however, they have their underground houses of worship and Talmud Torahs, where the children are taught to read and write Hebrew, and are initiated in all the tenets of the Jewish faith. All communal officials are honorary, the Reader, Rabbi, *Shochet* and *Mohel* minister to the Community as a matter of love. Marriages are arranged early in life between the different families, so that when a Mohammedan proposes to a Jewish maiden, he can be put off on the excuse of a previous engagement. In this way inter-marriages have been avoided. Marriages, however, have to be solemnised openly according to Mohammedan Law, and the Rabbi performs the ceremony secretly, according to the law of Moses and Israel. Divorce cases are rare, so as to spare the parties from appearing before the Moslem Ecclesiastical Authorities.

There is less secrecy as regards circumcision, because the Moslems have practically adopted the Jewish system, and boys are initiated into the Abrahamic rite on the eighth day, as prescribed by Jewish Law. The same applies to *Shechita*. The Jewish *Shochet* has only to prepare his "Halofim" according to the requirement, and while uttering the Mohammedan formula of *B'shim Allah Ibrahim* he also finds time to recite silently the Jewish blessing over the *Shechita*. (In *Eretz Yisrael*, many Mohammedan butchers call upon Jewish *Shochetim* to kill their cattle, and these, after pronouncing the Jewish benediction, satisfy them by muttering the words of the Moslem formula). The Community, of course, has also its own cemetery.

The Sabbath Problem.

The Sabbath, however, presents a real difficulty. Closing business on the Sabbath Day would prove to the Moslems beyond doubt the accepted suspicions that all is not well with these neo-Moslems. It is therefore the practice of the Jewish merchants and shopkeepers to attend their Synagogues early on Sabbath mornings; and after prayers and an early Sabbath meal, they open their businesses. In order, however, not to engage in barter, when a customer enters and wishes to buy a particular article, an exhorbitant price is quoted, so that the prospective customer makes a hasty exit.

The preservation of Judaism among these Jews living in a fanatical Moslem environment, is in a great measure due to the indomitable spirit of the women, who for nigh a century have secretly inculcated in the hearts of their children a reverence for Jewish rites and traditions. Many of these women have been

(*Continued in next column*).

Imperial and Foreign News.

The Crisis in France.

Government Control of Alien Employment.

BAD OUTLOOK FOR THE JEWS.

[*From a Correspondent.*—PARIS.]

The latest general census has revealed that about seven per cent. of France's population consists of foreigners, a considerable number of whom have settled for good in the country. The number of foreigners has in the last five years grown by 395,271 reaching now the enormous figure of 2,890,923 as against the entire population of 41,834,923. Italians, Poles, Spaniards and Belgians occupy the first place among the aliens, Russian, Swiss, Germans and other nationalities following. A considerable number of the Poles, Russians and Germans are Jews, who have entered the country since the war. While the Christians in general went to the provinces as agricultural and industrial labourers, the Jewish immigrants mostly settled in Paris and the larger provincial cities. Many of them introduced new industries, which created markets for French goods.

So long as France remained a country of plenty, the alien immigrants, Jews included, were welcomed. Especially as immediately after the war there was an acute shortage of labour in France. As a matter of fact, during the last few years France has been the principal country of Jewish immigration. Since the crisis, however, foreigners have become a burden. The anti-alien forces in the country, supported by the cries of the Press, "Frenchmen first," have come to the fore. Not only have orders been issued restricting the admission of foreigners seeking employment, but aliens resident in the country experience serious difficulties in obtaining employment permits. Tens of thousands of Polish and Italian workers have been sent home, but not all foreigners have a home. For this reason, perhaps, the Jews have, on the whole, been spared the hardship of deportation. Now, however, with the passing of an Act giving the Government direct control over the employment of aliens in industrial and commercial enterprises and fixing for them a quota of five to ten per cent., the position of all foreigners, Jews included, will become worse. No foreigner will be allowed to obtain employment unless he is in possession of a permit issued by the Labour Exchange.

"The Jewish population of France," writes the Paris HAINT, "is facing a very critical time. Not only is its livelihood in danger, but Jewish branches of industry and trade are being wiped out, and Jewish workers, merchants, small traders and industrialists are in danger of finding themselves without any means of earning their bread. . . The Jewish public in France must consider the situation and be prepared for any eventualities. Every Jew in Paris must realise that his life is at stake, and that the whole of Jewish life in France is in the balance."

Jewish organisations here realise quite well the consequences of the new order. They have, therefore, issued a warning that there will be no openings for new immigrants in France and they have taken the first steps toward the alleviation of the present plight of the victims of the crisis, of whom there are already a good many in the country. Soup kitchens are going to be opened for the needy, travelling facilities to other countries will be provided and possible openings in neighbouring lands investigated and made known.

Unfortunately, however, the crisis has also affected the Jewish Institutions, which are having a hard struggle now to maintain their position. It is, perhaps, for the first time in its history that French Jewry has been faced with a problem of such magnitude.

Blood-Libel in Czecho-Slovakia.

Professor Masaryk's Silence.

[*From a Correspondent.*—PRAGUE.]

Incredible though it may sound, it is yet a fact that in the country of which Professor Masaryk is President and a Jewish

THE MARRANOS OF PERSIA.—(*Continued from previous column*).

responsible for sending their sons away to Jerusalem, where they have cast off their Marrano garb, and are now true and loyal Jews, building mansions and Synagogues and helping in the rehabilitation of *Eretz Yisrael*. The former Persian Marranos now in London, exult in their freedom. Many of them speak Hebrew fluently, and have property in Palestine. They are all observant Jews, and perhaps are the only people who, as a Community, are *Shomré Shabbat* to a man.

The Persian Jews in London speak well of the present Persian ruler, Riza Khan, who is regarded as a defender of minority rights and as a foe of religious fanaticism. Yet, I am led to believe that the elders of the 3,000 Jews in Meshed do not encourage the open profession of Judaism, but prefer to continue their dual existence now, as they have done for the past three generations. Perhaps it is the fear of new persecution and massacre and the loss of home and property that still keeps them back from publicly proclaiming "We are Jews."

Socialist, Dr. Meissner, is Minister of Justice, a blood-libel case has been dragging on for fifteen months and no attempt is being made to put an end to the disgraceful proceedings. Professor Masaryk, whose great fight against the Hilsner blood-libel is still remembered, abstains from interfering, probably "in the interest of justice." Dr. Meissner, himself a Jew, is probably afraid to act boldly, because he is anxious to avoid creating an impression that he brought undue pressure in favour of Jews. The Government, as a whole, and the judicial authorities particularly, have allowed a ritual murder case to go on ever since 1930, even though the charge of "drawing blood" remains as unsubstantiated as it is intrinsically fantastic.

The two Jewish pedlars, Lieberman and Steinberger, accused of having drawn blood for ritual purposes from two Christian children at Velka-Berezna, Carpatho-Russia, are still under police supervision. For months previously they had languished in prison. After many adjournments, demanded by the prosecution, the case was fixed to take place on December 14, but to the great surprise of all concerned, the proceedings were again postponed, even though the defence protested. It is interesting that the State Prosecutor has not yet submitted any medical evidence to show that there were any signs of the blood having been drawn.

The Jewish deputies, having failed to induce the Government to quash the case, have now decided to raise the question in Parliament. They will attack both the Jewish Minister of Justice and the Minister of Defence, whose officials take a seeming delight in making as much of the case as possible and are conducting the investigations with so much publicity and unfairness.

Amazing Trial of Polish Jew.

[*From our Correspondent.*—WARSAW.]

A young Jew named Dworlicz has been tried and sentenced to one-and-a-half year's imprisonment by the court at Vilna. He was charged with attacking and injuring an old Christian woman and a soldier during the anti-Jewish outrages in the town, yet neither the woman nor the soldier complained about it nor could they be found. The only evidence against him was that somebody alleges he saw the accused committing the assault.

Enlightened Spain.

The Spanish Minister for Education, Don Fernando de los Rios, has paid an official visit to the Spanish Protectorate in Morocco. On Monday he addressed a gathering in the Jewish Casino at Tetuan. He referred to the grave injury done to the Jews by their expulsion from Spain by the Catholic Kings in 1492 and to the joy he felt that the new Republic had wiped out this ignominy. He appealed to the Jews of Tetuan to forget the past and think only of the present and of enlightened Spain, to whose intellectual development Jewish and Arabian culture had meant so much.

New Jewish School in Uruguay.

Government Support.

[*From a Correspondent.*—MONTEVIDEO.]

About 2,000 people participated in a great Jewish festival here on the occasion of the opening by the Government of Uruguay of a new Jewish school. The school was built by the Government as a compliment to the Jews in the country in recognition of their great services to the State, and it has been named "Palestine" as an expression of sympathy with the Zionist work in Palestine. Colonel Herera represented the President at the opening, and the Ministry of Education was represented by Professor Sandin Rossy and two Educational Inspectors. The ceremony was also attended by representatives of many institutions and newspapers. An orchestra and a choir of 700 children rendered the National Hymns of Uruguay and Britain and also *Hatikvah*.

Professor Sandin Rossy declared that free Uruguay was open to the Jews, and that the Jews enjoyed in the country full equality. He stated that the country would never forget the services rendered to it by the Jews, whom he also praised for maintaining their rich culture. The speeches delivered at the ceremony were broadcast and the proceedings were filmed.

American Jewish Committee.

Plan for Democratic Expansion.

[*From our Correspondent.*—NEW YORK.]

As a result of the recent Annual Meeting of the American Jewish Committee, a plan was decided upon to make the Committee a more democratic organisation in the future. Whereas until now the Jewish communities of only twenty-three cities in the country were represented on the Committee, the new plan provides for members from 198 communities.

Frankly acknowledging that the Committee began as a privately-constituted society, a recent bulletin states that "The Committee

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The Palestine Movement.

The British Government and the Mandate.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S UNEQUIVOCAL MESSAGE.

THE MANDATE IN LETTER AND IN SPIRIT.

The following message has been despatched by the Colonial Secretary, Sir P. Cunliffe-Lister, to New York, to be read at the banquet which was arranged to be held there last night in honour of the Zionist Leader, Mr. Nahum Sokolow:

"Since his Majesty the King accepted the Mandate for Palestine successive British Governments have been charged with the duties which the Mandate entails. They have sought zealously and fairly to discharge their responsibility of giving effect to Lord Balfour's famous declaration and of facilitating the building up of the Jewish National Home in Palestine.

"In this matter, policy is constant, though Governments change. And the present Government will fulfil not only in the letter, but in the spirit, those solemn obligations which it is their privilege to discharge."—CUNLIFFE-LISTER.

Four Zionist Conferences in Poland.

REVISIONISTS BREAK WITH ZIONISTS.

WHAT MR. JABOTINSKY REALLY SAID.

[*From our Correspondent.*—WARSAW.]

Warsaw was last week the scene of four different Zionist Conferences, of which that of the Revisionists was the most important and decisive. The Revisionists in Poland held their fifth Annual Conference in the Einstein Hall of the Jewish Students' Home in Warsaw, and for four days, from Sunday (December the 27th) till Thursday morning, they discussed in a very serious manner the main problems of the Organisation. Two hundred and fifty delegates arrived from all parts of Poland. But there were also a few notable Revisionists from abroad, among whom Mr. Grossman, of London, and Mr. Jabotinsky were the leading spirits.

The Revisionist Conference was called to decide upon questions of local as well as of an universal Zionist significance. In the first place the Conference had to decide about the future attitude of the Revisionists in Poland towards the Zionist Organisation in that country, and their participation in the coming tenth Zionist Conference in Poland. In the second place the Conference had to decide on the attitude of the Revisionists towards the World Zionist Executive, towards the question of *Shekalim* which had been discussed at a Conference at Calais, and towards a number of other important points regarding the future policy of the Revisionist Party.

Mr. Jabotinsky spoke strongly in favour of ratifying the Calais resolution which provided for those who wished to be members of the Revisionist World-Organisation without belonging to the Zionist Organisation, and also urged the necessity of a break with the general Zionist Organisation. For the first time Jabotinsky met here with opposition. Though the majority of the delegates, and especially the younger section were all for Jabotinsky's plan for a break with the Zionist Organisation, there were a few of the older delegates who advised waiting till the eighteenth Zionist Congress. A long and at times heated discussion ensued, which lasted for several days. After an all-night sitting the Conference passed resolutions which ratified the Calais decisions and also decided to break off relations with the Zionist Organisation in Poland and not to participate in the tenth All-Polish Zionist Conference which is to be held in February next. These resolutions were passed by a majority of 120.

Dr. Jacob Kahan, the Hebrew poet, was elected President of the Polish Zionist-Revisionist Organisation.

The Conference discussed the question of the work of the Zionist Revisionists in the Polish Municipalities and in the Jewish Communities in Poland, as well as the progress of the Tel Hai Fund. The reports submitted to the Conference showed that the Polish Zionist-Revisionist Organisation now counted fifty branches, apart from the Women's Zionist Revisionist bodies and the Young Zionist Revisionist societies. The Brit Trumpeldor Organisation, which two years ago only had 6,000 members, now counted 18,000 members.

Another Revisionist Conference was at the same time being held in another hall in Warsaw under the Chairmanship of Dr. Feldshuh. Dr. Feldshuh is the organiser of the Brit Trumpeldor Organisation in Poland, and was for years a prominent member of the Revisionist Organisation in the country. A few months ago he broke away from the party and founded a party of his own. He and his followers, whose number does not exceed 500 out of a general body of 20,000 Revisionists in Poland, have a separate programme, and at this Conference (their first) passed resolutions which, though not entirely in the spirit of those passed at the other Conference, are also against the co-operation with the General Zionist Organisation in the country.

A third Zionist Conference was that of the *Hashomer Haleumi* which was also held in Warsaw, and at which about three hundred delegates attended. The main object of this Conference was to find a way to unite all the Zionist youth in Poland. Deputy Grünbaum, President of the Polish Zionist Federation, delivered a long address in which he poked fun at the resolutions passed at the Revisionist Conference, calling them childish and naive. The fourth conference was organised by members of the *Hachalutz Hamerkazi*, at which about a hundred delegates discussed the problems of the *Chalutz*.

Mr. Jabotinsky's Denial.

In response to the inquiry from London as to whether Mr. Jabotinsky, the Zionist-Revisionist leader, had used in his speech at the Zionist Revisionist Conference the words: "The Jews might become the dynamite which would blow up the British Empire," as generally reported in the English Press, Mr. Jabotinsky categorically denied that he had used such words. He added that what he stated in his speech was that England, as a result of her policy in Palestine, had destroyed the confidence of the Jews in her and had kindled a fire in the hearts of 15,000,000 Jews, and the danger to the world of 15,000,000 flaming matches was very considerable. Mr. Jabotinsky also referred to the 100 young Jews who were imprisoned in Palestine in connection with their anti-census campaign, and he compared them with the people who were imprisoned in Tsarist Russia for so-called anti-State activities. At one time, stated Mr. Jabotinsky, the Jews hated Russia. Now, however, they would hate England even more, because she had misled them and disappointed them.

The Eternal Memory Committee.

LIVING MEMORIALS IN *ERETZ YISRAEL*.

In explanation of the purpose of the Eternal Memory Committee, which has been recently established by the Jewish National Fund, Mr. A. Gordon, Secretary of the Committee, writes: "The objects of the Eternal Memory Committee are briefly that we wish to appeal to the Jewish public to inscribe their departed in the Golden Book of the Jewish National Fund, in order to supplant or supplement the usual stone Memorials which are put up to commemorate the dead. We wish to spread the idea of a living and permanent Memorial in *Eretz Yisrael* and take the occasion of the deaths of well-known, active workers in the Zionist movement and Jewish notabilities in order to issue Memorial Appeals so that their work may for ever be remembered. The money collected as the result of these appeals goes to the Jewish National Fund, and the nature of the Memorial depends upon the amount collected."

Jewish National Fund.

DOUBLE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION IN JUNE.

At a meeting of the Central Executive of the Jewish National Fund for Great Britain and Ireland it was decided to commemorate the Double Anniversary which occurs this year—fifty years of *Hibat Zion* and thirty years of the Jewish National Fund. The entire month of June is to be set aside for special National Fund celebration and activity. Numerous functions and meetings will be held in London and the Provinces. In addition to National Fund Commissions all Zionist Societies will be asked to devote the month for *Geulat Ha'aretz*.

The East London Jewish National Fund Council, in conjunction with the Association of East London Zionists, are raising funds to enable the memory of the late Mr. I. Passoff to be honoured by the Jewish National Fund in *Eretz Yisrael*.

The Willesden Green and Cricklewood Social Committee held a meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jacobson, 65, Teignmouth Road, N.W., where Mr. Leopold Schen addressed the gathering. Details were discussed for the Café Royal Ball on the 21st February, and final arrangements were made for the Committee's next function at the "Carlton," Tottenham Court Road, on Sunday, January 17th. Tickets and particulars can be obtained from Mr. Louis Nissen, 249, High Road, Kilburn, N.W.6.

A meeting of the Brondesbury and Cricklewood Commission was held at the Home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Wilson, 95, Chatsworth Road, N.W.2. Mr. B. B. Lieberman presided, and addresses were delivered by Capt. Robert B. Solomon, Mr. Leopold Schen and Mr. S. S. Levin. It was decided to form a Commission, and the following officers and Committee were elected: Mr. B. B. Lieberman, Chairman; Messrs. Louis Young and E. Solk, Vice-Chairmen; Mr. B. Wilson, Treasurer; Mr. Louis Nissin, Hon. Secretary; and a Committee.

A Favourable Change of View.

MR. JABOTINSKY'S TACTLESSNESS.

I have good grounds (writes a JEWISH CHRONICLE representative) for being able to state that the new High Commissioner for Palestine is adopting a very favourable attitude towards some of the grievances which have been voiced by the Zionist Executive. This attitude is already manifesting itself in certain administrative acts, although the leaders of the Zionist Movement are not relaxing their efforts in regard to such questions as immigration certificates, representation on the Jerusalem Municipality, exclusion of Jewish workers from municipal works, and so on.

There is no doubt that some of the statements attributed to Mr. Jabotinsky at the Revisionist Conference at Warsaw have caused the greatest embarrassment to many Zionists in general and to the official leaders in particular. Many Zionists feel that while dissatisfaction with the British Government's policy and administrative action should be expressed fairly and forcibly, wild declarations such as those made by Mr. Jabotinsky are fraught with much mischief and cannot do the slightest good.

Propaganda for the Mizrachi.

Rabbi A. H. Zwebner, one of the leaders of Palestinian Jewry and a noted member of the General Council of the Mizrachi Organisation in Jerusalem, is at present visiting this country in order to further the activities of the English Mizrachi and to raise funds on behalf of the *Keren Eretz Yisrael*. The latter Fund is now in a precarious position owing to the failure of American support, and the religious and educational work which this Fund undertakes is seriously threatened. It is hoped that the sum of £3,000 will be raised in England. Last Sabbath Rabbi Zwebner spoke at the New Synagogue, Stamford Hill and he will be speaking in various Synagogues during the next fortnight.

Re-awakening of American Zionism.

CONCENTRATION ON FUNDAMENTALS.

[*From a Correspondent.*—NEW YORK.]

Slowly, American Zionism is emerging from the depths of the internal strife which for years has been undermining the foundations of the movement here and which has divided the Zionist forces into two bitterly opposed camps. The last Zionist conference has not quite healed all the wounds but it did create a basis for co-operation. The controversies have been settled and a platform for mutual work found.

The present adverse circumstances of America's economic life will, to a considerable extent, influence the character of future Zionist work in the United States. In addition to the usual propaganda work and the collection of funds the American Zionist Organisation is now confronted with a problem all its own: the furtherance of Jewish emigration from the U.S.A. to Palestine. This new aspect of Zionism—Palestine not only for the poor East-European brethren, but for us too—has brought with it a new task, which makes Zionist activity here creative and more interesting and important.

The Zionist Palestine Bureau is receiving thousands of enquiries from American Jews as to the possibilities of settling in Palestine either on the land or in the cities. People, who, years ago bought property in Palestine just to show their sympathy for the movement, are now thinking of making use of this property either for themselves or for their relatives. Many of the year's tourists have gone to Palestine not only to see the Holy Land, but to investigate its business opportunities. It is expected that over 200 American Jews, each possessing at least 5,000 dollars, will go to Palestine this spring for good. Some of these have already worked out definite plans as to their future occupation there. Many intend joining already existing enterprises by investing capital. So that the near future may see a revival of the Palestines industries brought about by this influx of new capital and business experience.

The *Chalutzim* movement is also gaining strength among the youth of America.

Palestine Movement Activities.

YOUNG MIZRACHI.—The Annual Meeting of the East London branch was held at 22, Buxton Street, E.1. Mr. L. Sanker, the retiring Chairman, gave a *résumé* of the activities of the Society, and Miss Weller, Treasurer, presented the financial report. The following officers were elected: Messrs. J. Halpern, Hon. President; L. M. Sanker, Vice-President; M. Domnitz, Chairman; S. W. Mowchowsky and S. Rosenbloom, Vice-Chairmen; Miss M. Weller, Treasurer; Misses G. Joseph and R. Weller, Joint Hon Secretaries *pro tem*.

HAKEREM.—Recent activities of the Society have included a lecture by Mr. B. Podobransky, a former Chairman, on "Jewish Contributions to Civilisation," a lecture by Mr. O. Rose on "The History of the Jews in Russia," an inter-debate with *Heatid* and East London Young Zionist League and a lecture by Mr. Gnessen on "Cultural Activities in Palestine." The Society is now in the throes of a J.N.F. box-clearing drive, and on Sunday and the week following is holding a box-placing drive in W.11 and W.10 districts. The receipts for the last box-clearing drive exceeded the previous one by about £2 10s. Palestine products are sold at each meeting of the Society, and there is an ever-increasing library. The following are the officials; Rabbi Dr. J. Newman, President; the Rev. S. Koor and Mr. R. Cen, Vice-Presidents; Mr. N. Goldenberg, Chairman; Mr. O. Rose, Hon. Treasurer; Mr. H. Hack (49, Kensington Park Road, W.11), Hon. Secretary.

BRADFORD.—Dr. J. M. Yoffey of Manchester, recently addressed the Jewish Institute under the auspices of the English Zionist Federation, on "World Jewry and its Problems." Mr. S. Frieze was in the Chair. Those participating in the discussion were Messrs. J. M. Keidan, C. H. Levi, J. Jackson, M. Jackson, J. Rivlin, and A. Silman.

HULL.—Lieut.-Commander Kenworthy, R.N., delivered an address to the Zionist Society at the Western Synagogue Chambers, Mr. S. Lang, presiding, his subject being "Palestine and the World Situation." Messrs. L. Rosen, L. Sackin and H. Bentley participated in the discussion which ensued.

LIVERPOOL.—Col. F. H. Kisch addressed the Zionist Central Council on "Why Palestine?" at the Picton Hall recently. During the meeting, Mr. S. S. Silverman, who presided, handed over a cheque for £1,000, subscribed by the Liverpool Jewish Community on behalf of the Palestine Foundation Fund. It was received by Mr. Leib Jaffe, director of the fund, who also addressed the meeting.

Land of Israel News.

Lord Reading's Advice to the Jews.

EXAGGERATED DIFFICULTIES?

Lord and Lady Reading left Palestine for Egypt on Monday. During their stay in Jerusalem over the week-end, they visited the Hebrew University, the Jewish National Fund and Jewish Agency offices, and various other Jewish institutions.

Lord Reading made a significant declaration here at a meeting attended by the Executive of the Jewish Agency, the *Vaad Leumi* and the heads of the Jewish National Fund and the *Keren Hayesod.* He declared that without Jews Palestine would remain undeveloped. He also told the meeting that he was aware of the difficulties in the up-building of Palestine. He declined, however, to tender any advice regarding the complaints made by the Jewish leaders in Palestine concerning the failure of the Government to co-operate with the Jews in the building of the Jewish National Home. "This," said Lord Reading, "I shall do elsewhere." Nevertheless, he told the meeting that he believed that the difficulties stated to have been encountered by the Jews were exaggerated, and pointed out that to begin work was as a rule easier than to continue it. He also believed that the co-operation of the Arabs and the Jews was possible, since the value of the work of the Jews to the Arabs in promoting their progress was bound to be recognised by them.

The distinguished assembly at the dinner given by the Jewish Agency in honour of Lord and Lady Reading at the King David Hotel, decided to inscribe Lord Reading's name in the Golden Book of the Jewish National Fund as "Lord Daniel Ben Joseph Reading." In his speech at the dinner Lord Reading declared that he had learned much during his visit to Palestine and promised to help the upbuilding of the country.

Ban on Burial of Ashes.

JERUSALEM CHIEF RABBINATE'S EDICT.

[*From our Correspondent.*—JERUSALEM.]

The Chief Rabbinate has just issued an order to the effect that all Burial Societies in Jerusalem are to be forbidden to inter ashes at the Jewish Cemetery on the Mount of Olives. This ruling has occasioned widespread comment here, and it is believed that it has arisen in view of the desire expressed by Mr. L. J. Greenberg, the late editor of THE JEWISH CHRONICLE, that his remains should be cremated and the ashes taken to Jerusalem for burial.

Mr. Bentwich's Retirement.

AN UNFAIR ALLUSION.

[*From our Correspondent.*—JERUSALEM.]

A most anomalous state of affairs has arisen here, although it has passed unnoticed in the Press, in connection with the retirement from the Palestine Civil Service of Mr. Norman de Mattos Bentwich, the former Attorney-General. Possibly the terminology of which complaint is made was necessitated under the Pensions Ordinance, but it certainly tends to produce a wrong impression in a country where such unfortunate misinterpretations have in the past been placed upon Government action.

It is well-known that Mr. Bentwich retired voluntarily from the Palestine Service, and refused to take up an appointment elsewhere; there is nothing but the heartiest commendation in local intelligent circles for the resolute and determined action he took, although—as rumour has it—he was "railroaded" out of office. But a very strange circumstance has arisen. According to the Official Gazette of December 16th, in which the Bentwich Pension Ordinance 1932 is published, "it shall be lawful for the High Commissioner to grant to Norman de Mattos Bentwich, formerly Attorney-General of Palestine, a pension, or pension and gratuity, or other allowance, under (the Pensions) Ordinance (1925), as if he had retired from the Public Service on the First day of November, 1931, in the circumstances specified in Section 7 (b) of the said Ordinance." Reference to Section 7 (b) of the Pensions Ordinance shows that "no pension . . . shall be granted to any officer except on his retirement from the public service in one of the following cases: . . . (b) on the abolition of his office."

That is a definite misstatement and an unfair allusion to Mr. Bentwich's standing. His office was never abolished; as a matter of fact, Mr. H. H. Trusted, K.C., formerly Attorney-General of Cyprus, has been appointed to the same post in Palestine as Mr. Bentwich held. The Government is hiding behind a technicality of the law to explain its unwillingness to have Mr. Bentwich back in Palestine, or so it appears to most intelligent and unprejudiced people in this country, and it has not even issued an official explanation of its attitude. It is possible that some such explanation exists; but its continued withholding from the public must inevitably create a feeling of triumph among a certain section of the Palestine population at Mr. Bentwich's removal from the country and renders impossible any effective denial of their wild exaggerations. The real reason for Mr. Bentwich's retirement must be made known, in the interests of fairness and of both his and the national prestige.

Mr. Norman Bentwich has been elected to the Chaim Weizmann Chair in the International Law of Peace at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. The Chair was founded in 1929 by Sir Montague Burton, and Mr. Bentwich is the first occupant. It is anticipated that Mr. Bentwich will take up his duties early in the year and it is understood that his first course of lectures will be devoted to the subject: "Religion and the Nations."

New Land Ordinance.

A new Land Ordinance has been published in the OFFICIAL GAZETTE which gives the authorities powers to deal with disputes regarding the possession of land. According to the new Ordinance, the District Commissioner will have the power to decide, after hearing the arguments of both sides, whether persons dispossessed of their land by force should return to it until the Land Court decides the question of legal ownership. He will also be empowered to allow persons to continue to exercise their rights of grazing animals, cutting wood and fishing, pending a final decision of the Court on their disputes with the new owners of land.

Economy Cuts in Government.

A telegram from Jerusalem states that 22 British, 45 Arab and 12 Jewish Government officials have been dismissed under the Economy Commission recommendations.

Agreement on Hebrew Education Budget.

An agreement has finally been reached among all parties concerned with regard to the Hebrew Education Budget for the current year. The Jewish Agency is to be responsible during the year for a contribution of only £40,550. The rest of the budget will be raised by means of contributions from various sources. Tel-Aviv has also made a generous contribution in order to settle the difficulties of the budget. In accordance with the settlement it is being arranged that the teachers should now receive payment of their salaries for two months, and it is hoped that their salaries for the other five months due to them will be gradually paid off.

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LAND OF ISRAEL NEWS.—(*Continued from previous page*).

"Tools of British Imperialism."

THE JEWISH FUNCTION IN PALESTINE.

That the Balfour Declaration was given to the Jews for the exploitation of British Imperialism was the opinion expressed by Mr. S. Saklatvala when addressing a meeting of the Palestinian Students' Association at the First Avenue Hotel, High Holborn, on Sunday evening, Mr. L. Bakstansky, LL.B., presiding.

How far, asked Mr. Saklatvala, was Palestine to be used for what he described as "this accursed system of Imperialism?" Jewish feeling, he declared, was being exploited and the Jews were being fooled, since Britain wanted Palestine as a base for her own ambitions. The speaker asked the students not to allow British politicians to engender hatred between Jews and Arabs in Palestine. There was no question of hostility to Jews going to Palestine but a strong objection to their playing into the hands of British Imperialism.

Mr. Bridgeman, the British Secretary of the Anti-Imperialistic League, said that unfortunately for the peace of the world and the happiness of the masses of the people, Palestine to-day was neither Arab nor Jewish, but was under British control, and while this control continued it must be a challenge and a menace to other nations. This, he thought, was the burden of the speech delivered by Mr. Saklatvala. He hoped that the Jews and the Arabs would unite to overthrow Imperialism and be themselves responsible for the control of Palestine.

Land of Israel News Items.

FOUR HUNDRED AND NINETY-NINE Jews immigrated into Palestine in December.

THE High Commissioner, it is announced, has rejected the petition submitted to him by many Hebron Arabs, pleading that the Arabs who were sentenced in connection with the massacre in August, 1929, should be pardoned.

SIR PHILIP SASSOON, Under-Secretary of State for Air, spent a couple of days last week inspecting the R.A.F. units in Palestine.

THE Society of Friends of the Hebrew University in Warsaw has placed at the disposal of the Jerusalem University Library 335 valuable medical books as a gift of Dr. T. Rosenfeld in memory of his late father.

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Jewish Matters in Parliament.

Revisionists Hamper Zionist Work.

DISTINCTIONS FOR JEWISH M.P.'S.

[*From our Parliamentary Correspondent.*]

The report of an attack by Mr. Jabotinsky on Great Britain at the Conference of Revisionist-Zionists held in Warsaw, cannot help but cause resentment among many of the Members whose interest has been aroused in the Zionist Movement. The Revisionists themselves are bound to feel the effect in that very little notice is likely to be taken in future of their representations either by the literature which they send to the Members or in lobbying.

The Palestine Administration is still showing no indication that it intends to carry out the spirit or the letter of the Prime Minister's communication to Dr. Weizmann, and the bitter disappointment of Zionists throughout the world is being constantly brought to the notice of the Government Authorities by the Jewish Agency, which is pressing for this position to be rectified.

I hear that the proposed dismissal of the members of the Malaria Unit which was contemplated by the Palestine Government on the grounds of economy has been abandoned. It will be recalled that this very important body was originally formed by the Jewish Joint Distribution Committee of America. It carried out the work of fighting malaria in Palestine with such remarkable success, that the League of Nations Malaria Commission strongly praised its activities.

Facilities for Attending Maccabead.

The arrangements for the holding of the World Maccabead in Tel-Aviv in the spring of this year are proceeding rapidly, and a very successful event is anticipated. The Palestine Government have arranged to grant facilities to persons attending the Maccabead in respect of exemption from vaccination, waiver of quarantine, and reductions of fifty per cent. in railway fares in Palestine. I understand that Mr. Barnett Janner, M.P., is taking steps in respect of other arrangements which are necessary.

General satisfaction and pleasure is felt by the Members of the House on the well-merited distinctions which have been conferred on Sir P. A. Harris, M.P., and Sir A. M. Samuel, M.P.

The failure of further Slate Clubs is bringing the question of the necessity for early legislation, prominently to the notice of the public. An important body of Accountants is convening a meeting to be held in London this month, to which Members of Parliament who have interested themselves in this problem and other representative persons are being invited. The whole question will be fully discussed at this meeting, and suggestions will be considered for coping with the problem.

A Communal Tribunal.

To the Editor of THE JEWISH CHRONICLE.

SIR.—The conflict between the Federation of Synagogues and the Christian Street Talmud Torah, is a painful spectacle. Undignified and largely avoidable quarrels are unfortunately not confined to any particular group of our Community, as witness the still unsettled "Hush, hush" dispute in North London, the pending action of Mr. Weinberg against the Board of *Shechita*—a sad culmination of a thoroughly unsatisfactory business—the rival *Shechita* organisation set up by Rabbi Shapotschnik, and many minor affairs of that nature.

It is sad enough when these disorganising influences are allowed to become public issues, but it is worse still that many of these are allowed to go to the Courts, bringing little credit to all concerned. I venture to suggest that the central authorities of our Community exercise the power of their prestige in an attempt to remedy this state of affairs. Could not some permanent non-ecclesiastical tribunal set up by our most representative body, the Board of Deputies, be called in to give a binding verdict on the points at issue now and all other matters in future disputes affecting the conduct of our Communal affairs. Surely the Community has enough self-discipline to sit in judgment on its internal disputes and enough authority to carry out its own verdicts.

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Finchley Synagogue.

At a meeting of the Board of Management of the Congregation, it was decided to extend the present Synagogue premises to meet the requirements of the Congregation, and to start a "Brick Fund" for the purpose. The following were elected:

Education Committee: Messrs. D. Morley, Chairman; H. J. Morgenstern, Hon. Superintendent of Classes; M. Bucks, H. M. Grant, M. A. Morris and T. Shepherd. Building Committee: Messrs. H. M. Grant, Chairman; I. Amswych, M. Bucks, S. Cohen, M. Cohen, H. J. Morgenstern, M. A. Morris and P. V. Tobias.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Grant and Mr. and Mrs. D. Morley have presented annual memorial prizes for the Classes. As a result of the Dance held at 114, Hornsey Lane, Highgate (the residence of Mrs. B. Hoffman), the sum of £20 was realised for the Building Fund of the Congregation.

IMPERIAL AND FOREIGN NEWS.—(Continued from page 17).

has gradually broadened out and become increasingly democratic in character."

The American Jewish Committee, instead of being composed of 160 members as in the past, mostly delegated as representatives of communities, will henceforth give representation to community representatives, representatives of local federations which contribute to the support of the Committee, delegates from national organisations and members-at-large.

Matzot in Russia.

Arrangements for Passover.

A *Jewish Telegraphic Agency* message states that the Soviet Government will guarantee the delivery of *matzot* for the Jewish population in the Soviet Union for next Passover. This is one of the terms of an agreement signed in New York by the Amtorg, the Soviet official trading organisation in America, and the Manischewitz *Matzot* Company of Cincinnati, one of the largest *matzot* concerns in the world.

The agreement provides that the Manischewitz Company is to send to Russia, until March 15th, not less than 200,000 packages of *matzot* of eleven pounds each, or a minimum of two million pounds of *matzot*.

The packages will be delivered free of duty not later than the day before Passover. Otherwise, the Soviet Government undertakes to repay the cost of the undelivered packages.

The Iraq Mandate.

League of Nations and Minorities.

The Mandates Commission of the League of Nations on Tuesday issued a report, dealing with the British Government's proposal for the termination of the Iraq Mandate. The Commission feels that it is particularly necessary to ensure the protection of minority races, languages and religious beliefs. Consequently the Government of Iraq should insert general provisions dealing with these points in a formal declaration to the League Council. A formal assurance should also be given regarding the protection of foreign interests.

Imperial and Foreign News Items.

THANKS to the financial support given by Sir Joseph Duveen, the British Government has been enabled to take over the British pavilion in the grounds of the biennial exhibition of fine arts at Venice.

THE well-known journalist, Mr. Vladimir Grossman, a brother of the Zionist Revisionist leader, Mr. M. Grossman, is publishing in Brussels a Yiddish daily, called the LETZTE NAIES.

A NATIONAL Conference of Jewish emigration organisations in Poland working under the United Emigration Society "Jeas" has been held in Warsaw.

THE centenary of the establishment of the first Jewish Congregation in Australia has been celebrated at Sydney.

THE anti-Semitic agitation conducted by the Military Chaplain, Dr. Gonsalez Paz, in various places in Argentine, and especially at Cordova, during the recent election campaign has compelled the Union Israelita of Cordova to address a memorial to the Government denouncing his activities.

IN the presence of representatives of the Governments of Cuba and the United States a new Jewish Centre has been opened in Havana. The President of Cuba sent a message of greeting.

THE first Grain Elevator in the Jewish colonies in Argentine has been opened in Entre Rios in the presence of representatives of the Government.

NINETY-TWO Jewish families in Montreal, mostly unemployed, have decided to settle on the land and establish a Jewish colony. The Government has declared its willingness to assist them.

AN exhibition of the Jewish work in Birobidjan has been opened in the Kremlin Palace in Moscow.

Poor Children's Entertainment Committee.

A meeting of the Committee was held on Monday. Dr. J. F. Midloursky, who presided, moved a vote of condolence with the relatives of the late Mr. Leopold J. Greenberg, Editor of THE JEWISH CHRONICLE, and the late Mr. Ernst H. Schiff. He stated that the Committee, the Jewish Community, and especially the children, had sustained a very great loss in the deaths of Mr. Greenberg and Mr. Schiff, both of whom had given a great deal of financial support and advice to those who were unable to help themselves. Their entire lives had been devoted to the good of the Community, and especially of the poor children. Their names would continue to live in the memories of the Community and the children. The Chairman proposed that a memorial prize should be given to a boy and girl for regular attendance and thorough religious knowledge, in the names of Mr. Greenberg and Mr. Schiff. The Rev. A. Louis, M.A., seconded the motion on behalf of the subscribers. Dr. Midloursky's work as Chairman of the Committee, had always proved very satisfactory; and he (Mr. Louis) was proud, as a Minister of the Church of England, to see the good work that was being done by the Jews towards the Gentiles. Dr. Midloursky said that to date about 15,000 poor children had been entertained by the Committee to various shows and had received gifts in many parts of London. Among them were some 3,000 Jewish children who attended the Classes of the Jewish Religious Education Board. Councillor James, J.P., congratulated Dr and Mrs. Midloursky upon the engagement of their elder daughter, Sadie, to Dr. S. C. Cimmering.

News Items.

Harcourt Social Club.—Sir Philip Hartog addressed the members at the Club's headquarters, 29, Stamford Hill, last week, on "India." Lectures are held every Tuesday evening, to which visitors are welcome.

Home and Hospital for Incurables.—In celebration of his eighty-seventh birthday on Tuesday, Mr. Isaac Levy provided the patients and Staff at the Institution with his annual poultry dinner, fruit, wine, etc.

Bethnal Green Talmud Torah.—At the celebration of the Silver Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. N. Lee, the sum of £17 was collected, of which £12 was given to the Bethnal Green Talmud Torah and £5 to the South Hackney Talmud Torah.

Stoke Newington Synagogue Classes.—A dance, in aid of the funds of the Classes, will be held at the Westminster Palace Rooms on Saturday evening, February 6th. Further particulars can be obtained from Miss E. Simons, Hon. Secretary, 3, Firsby Road, N.16.

Tchechenouer Synagogue.—At the celebration of the wedding of Mr. Morris Nash and Miss Nellie Paule, a pair of Silver Candlesticks were presented by the Synagogue to the Bride and Bridegroom in recognition of the valuable services rendered by the Bridegroom's family to the Congregation.

Philpot Street Sphardish Synagogue.—At a General Meeting of the *Chebra Tehillim* and *Chesed V'emet* Society attached to the Synagogue, Mr. A. Goldberg, the retiring *Gabbai* and one of the founders of the Society, was presented with a silver *Kiddush* cup in appreciation of his services. Mr. Goldberg responded to the tributes paid to him.

Manor Park Young Israel Society.—At a recent meeting of the Society held at the Synagogue Chambers, Carlyle Road, the following were elected: Mr. Lionel Tree, Chairman; Mr. Samuel Levy, Vice-Chairman; Miss Hannah Gellman, Hon. Secretary; Mr. John Beer, Treasurer; Mr. Cyril Levy, Organiser, and a Committee of five.

Jewish Teachers' Training Centre.—The Centre will re-open on Tuesday evening next at half-past seven, at the Jews' Free School, Middlesex Street. The Junior Class will continue to meet three times each week on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, and the Middle Grade on Tuesdays and Thursdays as usual.

Home for Aged Jews.—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harris, of 38, Durley Road, Stamford Hill, provided the residents of the Home and the patients of the Jewish Home of Rest with a poultry dinner on Sabbath last, in celebration of the *Barmitzvah* of their son, Isadore. The treat also included wine, fruit, confectionery and cigarettes.

Jews' Free School Old Boys' Club.—Colonel the Master of Sempill addressed the members last week, at the Club, on "Aviation." Mr. H. Collier Bradley presided. Messrs. H. A. Satter, M. Marks, C. S. Meisler, H. Becker and others, took part in a discussion. On Sunday a "Social" was held in the Club Common Room.

Hampstead and Belsize Park Congregation.—The Classes in connection with the Congregation, hitherto held at 1, South End Road, N.W., have been transferred to the Hall, 71, Fleet Road. The Classes meet every Sunday from 11 till 1, and are under the supervision of the Rev. P. Stein, to whom all applications should be made.

South Essex Young Judeans.—The Philanthropic Society of the Judeans are organising a Supper and Ball in aid of the London Jewish Hospital on Sunday, March 6th, at the Café Royal, Regent Street. Secretaries of other Societies are asked kindly to note the date in order to avoid clashing. Communications should be addressed to the Joint Hon. Secretaries, 155, Barking Road, Canning Town.

Leytonstone Synagogue.—Steps are being taken by the Committee of the Congregation to establish Talmud Torah Classes for the education of the children of the members. Rooms have been acquired at the Kirkdale Road Schools, and the services of a qualified Rabbi have been obtained.

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Is it fair to your best friend to make him your Executor? The duties are onerous, and usually thankless; the responsibilities are great and the penalties for neglect are severe. Moreover, he may die, and the expense of appointing his successor is considerable. On the other hand, if you appoint the Westminster Bank instead, the fees (which are paid out of your estate) will probably be only a fraction of the legacy which you would have left to a private trustee

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NEWS ITEMS.—(*Continued from previous page*).

Further particulars can be had from Mr. H. Schneider, Hon. Secretary, 15, Preston Road, Leytonstone, E.11.

North London Jewish Cine Club.—To celebrate the successful inaugural tion of the Club, a special British Film-Stars' Dance will be held at the New Burlington Galleries on Sunday evening, the 17th inst. Several prominent film-stars have promised to attend. Further particulars can be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, Mr. R. Gaden, 42, Lea Bridge Road, E.5.

Fire at a Synagogue.—As the result of a fire which occurred at the Hambro' Synagogue, Adler Street, E., on Sunday, a satin and silk *Chupah*, which had been erected for a wedding ceremony, was badly damaged. Mr. H. F. Ball, the caretaker, who lost a leg in the War, fought the flames with buckets of water until the arrival of the Fire Brigade. The Synagogue was not damaged.

Sassow Synagogue.—A *Chebra Mishnayit* and *Bikkur Cholim* have been formed in connection with the Synagogue, 14, Fordham Street, E. The following were elected at a recent meeting: Rabbi S. Rubin, President; Messrs. P. Larholt, Chairman; I. Softness, Vice-Chairman; C. Mayerovitch, Treasurer; M. Parnes, H. Parnes, M. Shissler, Auditors; B. Wiseman (48, Philpot Street, E.1.), Hon. Secretary; and a Committee of fifteen.

Wilkes Street Synagogue.—At the Annual Meeting of the Congregation, held at 93, Wilkes Street, E., the Chairman presented the financial statement which was adopted. The following were elected: Messrs. A. Goldstine, President; B. Goldstein, Vice-President; F. Hoffman, Treasurer; B. Kilewsky and J. Mandel, Wardens; J. Julius and D. Solomons, Auditors; S. Lipschitz (29, Gough Street, E.), Secretary; C. Dekofsky, Collector; and a Committee.

Jewish Memorial Council.—In response to an invitation from the Central Committee for Jewish Education, Mr. Nathan Morris, M.A., has consented to read to a meeting of London teachers, his paper entitled "Can Hebrew be Effectively Taught by the Translation Method?" which he delivered at the recent Education Conference at Birmingham. The meeting will be held on Sunday next, at Camperdown House, Half Moon Passage, Aldgate, at half past four. All teachers are invited to attend.

Hagodol Ladies' Club.—Miss L. Hands delivered a lecture at the Club last week. On the initiative of the Rev. H. Mayerowitsch, a musical section has been formed. The Continental Holiday Club is arranging a tour to Belgium in the summer. The Misses H. Levene and B. Shulman are the Joint Secretaries. Dayan Dr. A. Feldman, Rabbi, addressed the members of the Study Circle last week. Miss K. Jacobs, Hon. Secretary of the Club, Mulberry Street, E.1, will be pleased to hear of ladies desirous of joining the Study Circle.

Piotrkow Aid Society.—The Society (which sends help regularly to the Jewish poor in Poland) held its Eighth Annual Ball at the Savoy Rooms, Dalston, last week. At the Dinner an illuminated address was presented to Mr. B. Bromberg, the Hon. Secretary, in appreciation of his good work for eight years. The following were the speakers: Messrs. N. Glagofsky, B. Laskofsky, S. Levene, J. Joskovitch and the Rev. A. Amias. The Treasurer, Mr. S. Bromberg, appealed to the gathering for further support, and Mr. B. Bromberg returned thanks for the presentation.

Philpot Street Synagogue.—The Annual Meeting of the Congregation was held on Sunday, with Mr. I. Miller in the Chair. The balance-sheet, showing income £2,692, expenditure £2,612 and invested funds £4,550, was adopted. The election resulted as follows: Messrs. I. Miller, President; A. Goldstine, Vice-President; S. Oskotsky and R. Rosen, Wardens; M. Stein and S. White, Treasurers; N. Cohen, E. B. Fox, E. Michaels, S. Fisher and L. Thei, Auditors; and a Committee of seventeen.

Great Synagogue Guild for Social Service.—Last Sunday evening at the Hall of the Synagogue, St. James' Place, Aldgate, the Rev. H. Mayerowitsch gave a Gramophone Recital of Jewish music and an address. Mr. M. Cash presided. On the motion of Capt. B. L. Barnett, seconded by Mr. S. Alman, thanks was accorded to Mr. Mayerowitsch and to the Columbia Graphophone Co. for the loan of the records. The Chairman was thanked on the motion of the lecturer, seconded by Mr. J. Mendelowitch. On the 17th inst., Rabbi Dr. Samuel Daiches will lecture to the Guild on "Jewish Thought and Prayer."

Modern Hebrew Classes.—The Classes are functioning very satisfactorily under the auspices of the L.C.C. In consequence of the strict economy campaign now in progress, it is becoming necessary to obtain as large a number of students as possible, in order to ensure the continued existence of the separate elementary, intermediate and advanced classes. Prospective students can enrol at Myrdle Street Evening Institute, Myrdle Street, E.1, on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 8 to 10, and at the *Kadimah*, 26a, Soho Square, W.1, on Wednesday evenings, from 8 to 10.

Great Garden Street Synagogue.—The Annual Meeting of the Congregation was held with Mr. M. Cazin in the Chair. The report and balance-sheet which recorded a satisfactory year's work, and the Auditors' report were adopted. The election resulted as follows: Messrs. M. Cazin, President; M. Webber, Vice-President; M. Nestal and J. Gold, Wardens; A. Smith, Treasurer; J. Landy, A. Class, M. Summers and I. Goodman, Trustees; S. J. Weinberg, J. Gleicher, J. Levy and L. Finkelstein, Auditors; M. Hyams, Secretary; P. Sorkin, Collector; and a Committee of twenty-four.

Trade Items.

MESSRS. HARRIS AND GILLOW, F.A.I., Auctioneers and Estate Agents, of 80/2, Wardour Street, W.1, have, during 1931, disposed of property investments, as distinct from Cinema Theatre properties, to the amount of £460,000, including freehold and leasehold properties in all London districts. They have also dealt with shops in the West End and suburbs, at rents totalling £122,100.

MISS SONA ROSA BURSTEIN, M.A., of the Wellcome Historical-Medical Museum, London, and daughter of Mr. N. S. Burstein of Cardiff, has been elected a Fellow of the Royal Anthropological Institute. Miss Burstein is giving a series of lectures on Folk-Lore at Morley College.

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Jewish Friendly Society Movement.

Health Insurance Finance.

(*By our Friendly Society Correspondent.*)

The report by the Government Actuary (Sir Alfred Watson) on the "Third Valuation of the Assets and Liabilities of Approved Societies" (Stationery Office, Cmd 3978, 1s. 6d.), shows that despite the continuance of weakening factors like the abnormal loss of contributions arising from widespread unemployment and the increasing sickness claims of insured women members, married and unmarried, the position is not unhealthy having regard to the magnitude of the aggregate surplus and the substantial additional benefits enjoyed by a large proportion of the insured population.

Sir Alfred Watson notes that, as was the case on the second valuation, a considerable part of the surplus has been carried forward, thus strengthening the reserves of the Societies concerned, and in regard to many of them, promoting a legitimate expectation that additional benefits will be continued after the fourth and subsequent valuations. In view of the experience gained with regard to women's sickness and disablement claims, which have in many cases necessitated the reduction and even the discontinuance of the additional benefits (*i.e.*, benefits over and above the statutory limits), it is recommended that funds insuring men and women together should be divided and that the whole finance of women's insurance should be reviewed, even to the extent of increasing contributions and reducing disablement benefit.

An appendix to the Report gives the detailed results of the valuation from which it is satisfactory to observe that the Jewish Approved Societies without exception show surpluses. The Grand Order of Israel has a surplus of £13,615 on a membership of 10,900 (for 1927); the Achei Brith and Shield of Abraham, £17,123 on a membership of 8,000; the Order of Ancient Maccabeans, £2,865 on 2,000 members; the London Hebrew Tontine, £1,891 on 750; the Order Achei Ameth, £6,911 on 5,000; the Cracow, £793 on 189; the Grand Order Sons of Jacob, £1,745 on 2,800; and the Order Shield of David, £2,078 on 2,000. Although these results reveal obvious disparities, they show that the Jewish Group of Societies is well placed. Only a proportion of the sums mentioned is treated as disposable surplus for the distribution of additional benefits. How much should be so allocated is a matter for the Government Actuary.

Annual Conferences of Orders.

As many as four out of the seven Jewish Friendly Society Orders have just met in annual conference—the Achei Brith and Shield of Abraham, Order of Ancient Maccabeans, Independent Order of B'nei Brith, and Grand Order Sons of Jacob. The dominant spirit at all these meetings, despite the unparalleled economic depression which has left its mark on thrift organisations, was an optimistic belief in the future of Jewish Friendly Societies, which retain their hold on the Jewish masses. The largest of these organisations is, of course, the Achei Brith, which has a well-deserved reputation in the Movement and the Community as a highly efficient concern, trustee of the interests of some 20,000 Jews and Jewesses who are grouped in the voluntary and State-insured sections.

A Savings Association.

On the recommendation of a Commission of Inquiry, held under the chairmanship of Mr. B. A. Fersht, the Achei B'rith is about to embark upon a new sphere of public service. A Savings Association is to be formed for the purpose of loans and annual divisions. These transactions, it is well known, have come into public disrepute, more than one instance having been brought to light of culpable mismanagement which has led to the loss of the hard-earned savings of workers, Jewish and non-Jewish. The purpose of the Achei B'rith appears to be to establish an Association which will be open to all members of the Jewish Faith, who are invited to subscribe for shares, no one individual to have more than forty shares. It is important to observe that the Savings Association, in the words of Mr. S. Heiser, the retiring Grand President of the Order, will be administered on the lines of the slate or loan clubs, but with the much-needed protection of responsible officers and a representative committee. This enterprise should have the sympathetic support of the movement which fortunately has never been identified in any shape or form with the discreditable history of certain slate or loan clubs.

Changes in Officers.

Mr. H. Jacobovitch, the retiring Grand President of the Independent Order of B'nei Brith, has performed invaluable services to his Order during his two years of office, substantial progress having been recorded both in membership and finance. In the death of Alexander Barnett, the General Secretary, the Order suffered a serious blow, and the appointment of Dr. D. Dolovitz, F.S.S., as his successor is generally regarded as a wise choice in view of his experience and all-round ability. Mr. E. Williamson, a B'nei Brith official of long standing, has been elected to succeed Mr. Jacobovitch as Grand President.

Zionist work continues to be the guiding inspiration of the Order of Ancient Maccabeans, whose leaders are Messrs. Israel Sieff and N. I. Adler, both of them redoubtable workers in the Jewish National cause. The Order has the invaluable support of a number of branches (styled Beacons) entirely composed of young members who devote their enthusiasm and imagination to the Order's Zionist undertakings, which form an important adjunct to the Zionist Federation. Among the decisions of the Annual Conference, which was held in Liverpool, was to grant a loan of £1,000 for five years free of interest to the Jewish National Fund and a loan of £500 to the *Keren Hayesod*, in addition to the substantial ordinary donations which the Order makes from time to time to Zionist funds. The Maccabeans continue to pursue normal Friendly Society functions through the Beacons and a large State-insured section.

THE well-known educationist, Mr. W. E. Spragg, formerly Headmaster of Highbury County Council Secondary School, has been appointed Headmaster of the Jewish Secondary School. The direction of religious education has been vested in the hands of Rabbi Dr. E. Munk. The School will re-open on Tuesday next. New pupils should apply, from 10 to 12, at the School, 32, Alexandra Villas, Finsbury Park, N.

Provincial News.

MANCHESTER.

United Synagogue.

[*From our Correspondent.*]

The Mortuary at the new Burial Ground of the United Synagogue and Beth Hamidrash Hagadol, at Phillips Park Road, Whitefield, was officially opened last Sunday. A large assembly gathered at the Synagogue into which a coffin, containing *Shemot* (old Hebrew books, *Tallitim*, etc.), was carried by some of the members attending the daily *Shiur*. At the Burial Ground, the Warden, Mr. Eli Fox, asked the President, Mr. M. Farber, to present a gold key to Mr. E. Marks, Hon. Life President, who declared the Mortuary open. An impressive ceremony followed when the coffin was taken into the Mortuary and placed between four large candlesticks. The services were conducted by Cantor S. Stern, assisted by the choir; and the consecration ceremony was performed by the Rev. S. Freedberg. The Founders' Tablet was unveiled by Mr. M. Goldberg, Treasurer of the Synagogue. Seventy-two bundles of *Shemot* were interred. Offerings to the Building Fund realised fifty-nine guineas. Mr. L. Samuels, Treasurer of the Burial Board, thanked the members for their donations. The new building, including the land (seven-and-a-half acres) cost £2,000. The land is sufficient for approximately 3,840 graves.

The South Manchester Jewish Literary and Social Society held a concert at the Synagogue Hall, Wilbraham Road. The artists included Miss E. Sidi, five pupils from Miss Dobson's School of Dancing and Dramatic Art. Miss R. Seideman, Miss Stella Nessis, and Leonora and Babette. The Dramatic Section presented two one act plays, the cast being the Misses V. Oppenheim, L. Hacker, J. Weinberg, L. Halon, J. Applebaum, J. Rundbaken, and Messrs. E. Sassoon and A. Mendlessohn. A vote of thanks to the artists was proposed by Mr. S. Almond, and seconded by Mr. Kirk.

Presiding at a meeting of the Committee of the Jewish Soup Kitchen, Mr. Albert Lisbona announced that the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Manchester and the Mayor and Mayoress of Salford had accepted invitations to visit the Kitchen on Monday next. Mrs. D. Needoff was co-opted on the Committee. Thanks were accorded to Mr. A. Davis for his gift of a notice board.

Under the auspices of the University Jewish Students' Society a dramatic performance in aid of the Palestine Bazaar Fund, will be given at the Lesser Free Trade Hall, Peter Street, on Wednesday evening, the 20th inst. Further particulars can be obtained from Mr. Eli Devons, Hon. Secretary, 21, Petworth Street, Cheetham Hill Road.

A lantern lecture on "The Origin and Development of the Historical Styles of Architecture," was delivered last week by Mr. T. H. Birks, the Chairman of the Central Jewish Literary and Social Society. Thanks were accorded to the lecturer by Messrs. M. Cohen and A. Palestrand.

Presentations were made on Saturday evening to Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Blundell, by the members of the voluntary choir attached to the Park Place Synagogue, in celebration of their Silver Wedding anniversary and to mark their long association with the choir. The presentations were made by Mrs. Dorothy Quas-Cohen and Mrs. A. E. Sandiford, who eulogised the work of the recipients. Other speakers were Messrs. P. M. Quas-Cohen, M. Danziger, B. Harris, J. Horowitz, Dr. H. L. Becker, and A. E. Sandiford. Mr. and Mrs. Blundell responded.

Hazomir (The Jewish Choral Society) gave a concert last Sunday at the St. George's Hall, under the auspices of the Jewish Literary and Social Society. Cantors I. Icht and A. Hershman contributed to the programme, which consisted of Hebrew and Yiddish National and folk songs. Mr. A. Fairman was conductor, and Dr. J. E. Phillips was the accompanist. Mr. J. Solomon, who presided, paid a tribute to the late Mr. M. S. Boyars to whom, he said, the Society owed much of its successful development. Mr. H. Caplan associated himself with the tribute. Thanks were accorded to the artists by Messrs. B. Love, M. Tyler and M. Linskie. Further particulars of *Hazomir* can be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, 38, Maude Street, Hightown.

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Jewish Board of Guardians.

[*From our Correspondent.*]

At the Monthly Meeting of the Board held last week, the President (Alderman H. Morris, J.P.) reported that the sum of £100 had been received from the Bernhard Baron Trust Fund, for which they were very grateful. The Treasurer (Mr. Stanley Lightman) submitted a financial statement to date. Referring to the Victor Lightman Loan Fund, he said that 410 loans, amounting to £8,349, had been lent to borrowers since February 1st last. Mr. W. Kristall said that an average sum of £240 per week was being lent out by the Loan Fund in small sums, free of interest.

The CHAIRMAN announced that Mrs. Julius Friend had consented to act as the Jewish Representative on the Public Assistance Committee; and Mrs. Friend, in responding, said she would do her best to see that all Jewish cases that came before that Committee received adequate attention.

Mr. J. GILLINSON (Chairman of the Investigation and Fixed Allowance Sub-Committee) said that during the month they had added twenty-three cases to their lists.

Mr. W. KRISTALL (Chairman of the Concert Committee) announced that the arrangements had been completed for the holding of the annual concert in aid of the Board's funds, at the Theatre Royal (lent free of charge), on Sunday, the 17th inst. Sir Montague Burton, J.P., he said, had, as in former years, sent a donation of

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PROVINCIAL NEWS.—(*Continued from previous page*).

£100 towards the Concert Fund. The concert would be under the patronage of Princess Mary and Lord Harewood, and the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Leeds had promised to attend the function.

The Chairman opened a discussion in regard to the relation of the Board's activities to the present Poor Laws concerning "Transitional Benefit and Relief." Among those who participated in the discussion were Messrs. J. L. Brill, J. Gillinson, I. Goldman, A. Gutkin, J. M. Abrams, W. Kristall and Mrs. Friend.

At a meeting of the religious heads of the City convened by the Lord Mayor for the purpose of considering the state of unemployment in the City, the Rev. Dr. J. Abelson, M.A., represented the Jewish Community.

LIVERPOOL.

Jewish Literary Society.

[*From our Correspondent.*]

Last Sunday, at the Jewish Centre, 6, Princes Road, Mr. Hugh Harris, B.A., M.Litt., of London, delivered an address to the Society on "The Bible in Contemporary Literature." Dr. I. J. Lipkin, who presided, referred to the esteem and respect in which the father of the lecturer (the Rev. John S. Harris) was held by the local Jewish Community as a whole, and by their Society in particular, he having been among the most active of those who co-operated in the reconstitution of the Society twenty-five years ago. Mr. Hugh Harris, in the course of his lecture, gave illustrations of a number of phrases which, taken from the authorised version in English of the Hebrew Scriptures, had become part and parcel of the colloquial language of the day. He proceeded to deal with those books in English Literature which had made the Bible the groundwork of their substance. There had been, he said, a revival of resort to the Bible in the present era, not least in America, where the spiritual mentality of the coloured inhabitants of the States had expressed itself in the vernacular with the Bible as the source of inspiration. In Europe, as a whole, the Bible had been re-discovered as a field for the biographer, and the great figures of the Hebrew Scriptures were re-created in terms of current speech. The influence of all those movements tended not merely to a re-discovery of Scriptural Humanism, but also favoured the revival of spirituality. Thanks were accorded to the lecturer on the motion of Mr. Lionel Collins, seconded by the Rev. Lewis Phillips and supported by Mr. Bertram B. Benas, B.A., LL.B., and the Chairman.

Over 100 people attended the annual Fancy Dress Ball held by the Young Israel Society at Harold House, Chatham Street, last week. Mr. and Mrs. W. Wolfson (of Dublin) were the Judges and distributed awards to the following: The Misses F. Rosenbaum and E. Tenser, and Messrs. J. Goodman and H. S. Tenser.

At the wedding of Miss Gertrude Sorsky and Mr. Emanuel Williams (of Antwerp) a silver casket was presented to the bride by Mrs. A. D. Silver, on behalf of the Jewish Musical Society. Mr. H. Paterson, Hon. Secretary and Conductor, paid tribute to the good work done by the bride who was one of the founders of the Society, a member of its Committee and Joint Hon. Secretary. The presentation was acknowledged by the recipient.

The Rev. I. Freeman (Reader of the Hope Place Congregation) and Mrs. Freeman, who celebrated their Silver Wedding last Friday, were the recipients of messages of congratulations from the Jewish Ministry, the members of the Congregation and local communal institutions. Those desirous of associating themselves with a presentation to the Rev. and Mrs. Freeman, are asked to communicate with Mr. Sydney W. Price, LL.B., 67, Lord Street.

BIRMINGHAM.

Jewish Lads' Brigade.

[*From our Correspondent.*]

Mr. L. Goodman presided at the annual meeting of the local company of the Brigade held last Sunday at Thorp Street Baracks. In moving the adoption of the Annual Report, the Chairman referred to the many successes gained by the boys during the year and announced that in recognition of the Company's achievements in the Lucas Tooth Competition last year, a silver cup was to be presented to them by the Warwickshire Committee of the British National Cadet Association. Mr. L. Nathan, the Treasurer, appealed for more annual subscriptions which, he said, if sent to him at 73, Fountain Road, Edgbaston, or to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. Wilk, 77, Colmore Row, would be gratefully acknowledged. The Report was adopted. Thanks were accorded to the Hon. Officers (who were re-elected), the Officer Commanding and other Officers of the Company; also to the 5th Battn. Warwickshire Regt., for the use of their room for the meeting. Subsequently, the Cadets, under the command of Major A. B. Solomon, assisted by Capt. B. Rudell and Lieut. D. Salberg, gave a drill display.

The Lord Mayor of Birmingham, who witnessed this display, congratulated the lads upon their splendid turn-out, and upon their general excellence and remarkable successes achieved against other organisations. He pointed out the importance of the Brigade's work and how essential it was for the welfare of every growing lad that he should be trained in discipline. No good result could follow, he said, unless they so disciplined their lives that they would grow up to be worthy citizens of a great city and a great race. The Rev. Dr. A. Cohen, M.A., conveyed the thanks of the Community to the Lord Mayor for his attendance and for his encouraging words. The vote of thanks was seconded by Colonel F. G. Danielsen. The Lord Mayor then presented the medals and prizes gained by individual members and by the Company during the year.

The Annual Report records another successful year's work, the Company again competing successfully in the Non-Schools' Section of the Lucas Tooth Competition, and also putting up a record at Camp, unequalled by any other Company—that of gaining five Cups and one Shield. There are now four Officers and 99 Cadets in the Company. The Officer Commanding the East Lancs. Cadets, who was the Inspecting Camp Officer, also the British National Cadet Association, pay tribute to the excellence and high efficiency of the Birmingham Company of the Brigade throughout the year. The statistics disclose an excess of expenditure over income for the year of £21.

BRADFORD.

The Jewish Institute.

[*From our Correspondent.*]

Recently Dr. J. M. Yoffey, M.Sc. (of Manchester), addressed the members of the Jewish Institute on "World Jewry and its Problems." Mr. S. Frieze presided. The lecturer reviewed the condition of the Jewish Communities of various countries, and pointed out that the Zionist movement alone showed an adequate appreciation of the diverse problems confronting them. The following contributed to the discussion: Messrs. C. H. Levi, J. Rivlin, J. M. Keidan, A. Silman, M. and J. Jackson. Mr. Z. Rosenthal proposed, and the Rev. I. Levine seconded a vote of thanks to the lecturer. A similar vote was accorded to the Chairman on the motion of Mr. D. Sugarman, seconded by Mr. J. Jackson. Last Sunday a debate was held at the Institute. Messrs. J. Rivlin and J. Jackson moved: "That the Diaspora has been neglected because of Palestine." Dr. H. Frazer and Mr. K. C. Cohen opposed the motion. Mr. M. Maizels was in the Chair. Mrs. J. Rivlin, the Rev. I. Levine and Messrs. M. Cohen, I. L. Cohen, S. Hyman, B. Levin, L. Schaffner and D. Sugarman and N. Walsh, B.A., LL.B., joined in the discussion. The voting resulted in a draw. A vote of thanks to the speakers was moved by Mr. H. Bergson, seconded by Miss E. Freedman, and supported by Mr. M. Levin. Mr. E. Morris proposed, and Mr. J. Rivlin seconded, a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

The Jewish Dramatic Society gave a performance at the Leeds Jewish Institute on Sunday last. The artists were the Misses L. Angel, E. Jackson, R. Bernstein, P. Hyman, R. Morris, S. Brown, R. Levi, and Messrs. J. Bergson, S. Levin, W. Jerome, N. Wolfe and D. Abelson.

PROVINCIAL NEWS ITEMS

BOURNEMOUTH.—The first annual ball and supper in aid of the funds of the local Jewish Ladies' Guild, were held at the Grand Hotel last week. The function, which was a great success, was organised by Messrs. I. Gordon and D. Rosenthal, and over 300 guests were present. Lady Sassoon distributed the prizes.

BRISTOL.—At a general meeting of the Congregation held at the Synagogue Chambers on Sunday, the Annual Report and Balance-Sheet were submitted and adopted. Thanks were accorded to Mr. L. A. Melcher, the Treasurer, for his efforts on behalf of the Congregation. The following were elected: The Rev. J. Polack, B.A., Chairman of the Council; Messrs. A. Mass, President; L. A. Melcher, Treasurer; Maxwell Levy, Hon. Secretary; F. Goldman and W. S. Morris, Auditors; B. Spielman, H. R. Levy, A. Coburg, J. Steinberg, A. Goldman, J. Freeman, N. Sacof, A. I. Polack, M. Redstone, L. Dysche, C. J. Tanchan and M. Sperber, Council.

CARDIFF.—A meeting of the Ball Committee of the Jewish Board of Guardians was held in the Windsor Place Hall. Mr. A. Hauser presided. Mrs. W. H. Bogod submitted the financial statement, which showed that £119 had been raised as a result of the Ball. The Chairman paid tribute to the following for their successful efforts in connection with the function: Mrs. Bogod, Mrs. Shibko, Miss Sybil Lewis, Mrs. Rubenstein, and Messrs. M. Davies, A. Rivlin, I. J. Gaist and I. Rapport (the Secretary).

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Mr. Barnett Janner, M.P., together with Judge L. C. Thomas, the local County Court Judge, and Mr. Harry Cousins, J.P., the Registrar, were entertained to dinner last week by the Cardiff Solicitors' Club.

DERBY.—A successful Ball in aid of the Hebrew School and Institute was held in the Vernon Rooms, King's Café. Over two hundred people were present at the function, which was organised by Messrs. S. Levy and R. Taylor. Funds are urgently needed for the building fund of the Hebrew School and Institute, and donations will be thankfully received by the Treasurer, Mr. H. Friesner, 15, Bailey Street, Derby.

GLASGOW.—Over 650 people attended the Annual Ball held by the Jewish Board of Guardians Auxiliary, in aid of the Board's funds, last week. The sum of £250 was realised. The Ball was under the convenorship of the Misses C. Goldberg and D. Moscow and Messrs. W. Banks and H. E. Smith.

HARROGATE.—The Winter School of the Federation of Northern Jewish Literary Societies was held at Panal College, and was attended by 200 members from Manchester and other towns. Services were held at the Synagogue, at which the Rev. E. Kahan, B.A., delivered addresses. Sir Montague Burton presented a National Fund Certificate to the Federation which was acknowledged by Mr. G. H. Finestone. Other speakers were Councillor A. Moss, Mr. Walter Wolfson and Miss C. Laitner.

HULL.—A social function, organised by Miss A. Sheinrog, the Headmistress, in aid of the Hebrew Girls' School, was held in the Schoolroom, Linnaeus Street. Thanks for gifts and subscriptions were accorded to Mesdames B. Franks, W. Greenstone, Silkovitz, S. Shenker, H. Altman, S. Zimmerman, J. Goldstein, Miss Marriott, and Messrs. Jack Levy, H. Jacobs, G. and L. Greenstone, I. Deitch, D. Baker and L. Harris.

On Thursday in last week, Mr. B. Franks presided at a meeting of the Committee of the Orphan Aid Society, held at the Western Synagogue Chambers. A résumé of the last half-year's work was submitted, and it was resolved to forward 100 guineas from the Society to the Jewish Orphanage, Norwood. The honorary collectors were thanked by the Chairman for their good work.

MIDDLESBROUGH.—"How Parliament Works," was the subject of a lecture delivered by Mr. Kingsley Griffiths, M.P., to the Jewish Literary Society on Sunday. Rabbi L. Miller was in the Chair. A vote of thanks to the Lecturer was moved by Mr. J. Lazarus, seconded by Mr. J. Solomon, and supported by Mr. E. Hush.

NEWPORT (Mon.).—At a meeting of the Jewish Literary Society held last Sunday, Mr. I. Rapport (of Cardiff) read a paper on "Humour." Mr. S. Wallen presided. A vote of thanks to the Lecturer was proposed by the Rev. A. Snadow, seconded by Miss Zena Wallen, and supported by Messrs. A. Hyams, M.A., S. Jacobs, M. Davies and Mr. L. Jacobs.

PLYMOUTH.—The Hebrew Congregation held its annual meeting at the Synagogue Chambers. Mr. S. W. Fredman presented the financial statement, which was adopted. The following were elected: Messrs. Israel Cohen, President; Samuel Roseman, Treasurer; David L. Roseman, LL.B., Hon. Secretary; S. Solomon and J. B. Goodman, Hon. Auditors. General Purposes and School Committees were also elected. Thanks were accorded to the retiring officers for their services during the year.

The children of the Plymouth and Devonport Religion Classes, accompanied by the Revs. W. Wolfson and S. Wykansky, were taken to the Pantomime Performance at the Theatre Royal, by Mr. S. Roseman (Chairman of the Education Committee). The children were provided with refreshments, given by Miss Hester Roseman.

SOUTHEND AND WESTCLIFF.—Dayan M. Gollop, Rabbi, B.A., addressed the Jewish Literary and Dramatic Society last Sunday on "Science and Religion." Mr. A. Goodman presided. The Lecturer paid a tribute to the work of the late Mr. D. Kontili for the local Community. A discussion followed the address. On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by the Rev. A. Plaskow, B.A., and supported by Mr. H. Rosen, thanks were accorded to Dayan Gollop, who responded. Mr. Julius Goldstein moved a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

Jewish Lads' Brigade.

BRIGADE ORDERS.—BY CADET-COL. E. M. HALSTED.

1ST LONDON CADET BATTALION.—Cadet Capt. J. P. Lazarus to be Cadet Major; Cadet Lieut. S. M. Harris to be Captain; Cadet 2nd-Lieut. J. N. Cohn to be 1st-Lieutenant; Cadet 2nd-Lieut. E. Halsted to be 1st-Lieutenant; Cadet 2nd-Lieut. G. C. Cotton to be 1st-Lieutenant; Cadet 2nd-Lieut. E. Kahn to be 1st-Lieutenant; Mr. Isidore Joseph to be 2nd-Lieutenant; Mr. M. Kirschbaum to be 2nd-Lieutenant; Mr. J. E. S. Ricardo to be 2nd-Lieutenant; and Mr. R. N. Cotton to be 2nd-Lieutenant.

2ND LONDON CADET BATTALION.—Cadet Capt. G. B. Joseph to be Cadet Major; Cadet Lieut. L. J. Solomon to be Captain; and Cadet Lieut. A. C. Souhami to be Captain.

ERNEST M. JOSEPH,
Cadet Lieut.-Col. and Chief Staff Officer.

The Jewish Lads' Brigade Old Comrades' Association's dance, in aid of the Brigade's funds, will be held at Westminster Palace Rooms, on Saturday evening, the 16th inst., at eight o'clock.

Literary and Social Societies.

Over one hundred and twenty people were present at a Fancy Dress Ball held by the North London Synagogue Social Society on Sunday, at the John I. Jacobs Memorial Hall, Lofting Road. The prize-winners were the Misses D. Wiseman and J. Wenger, and Mr. M. Morris.

The Egerton Social and Literary Society held its annual fancy dress dance on Sunday last at the Marcus Samuel Hall, Egerton Road. There was a large attendance. Mr. F. H. Samuel judged the costumes, and the prize-winners were the Misses E. Bourne, Z. Cohen and R. Landy and Mr. R. L. Kaye. Photographs taken at the function were reproduced in yesterday's JEWISH WORLD. A programme of activities for the season can be obtained on application to the Hon. Secretary, Miss R. Landy, 20, Filey Avenue, N.16.

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SABBATH OBSERVANCE AND THE EMPLOYEE.

Only one who has himself experienced it, can know how difficult it is for an orthodox boy or girl to obtain a situation where they can be absent on Sabbaths; and those who depend upon their weekly earnings for a livelihood will surely, after some time of unsuccessful applications for situations consider themselves compelled to accept one which will necessitate their working on the Sabbath day. There is only one way to prevent this, and that is by exhorting Sabbath-observing employers to give preference to such as are observant themselves. This object could be achieved by re-organising the Sabbath Observance Bureau on the lines of an employment agency and bringing it to the notice of would-be employers by means of intensive advertising.—OBSERVER.

KEEPING UP RELIGIOUS STANDARDS.

After reading the article in your issue of December 11th, entitled "Is all well with our communal Organisations," the question arises whether as a Community each Provincial Organisation does take upon itself to give any direct encouragement to create a conscientious atmosphere. There is much scope for encouraging the youth who is anxious to work out a career and at the same time is anxious to keep up a Jewish standard of Religion. There is much scope in the endeavour to solve the difficulty of obtaining remunerative work without working on *Shabbos*. There is much need for creating small subscription lending libraries where only the best selected Jewish literature should be easily available.—Mr. JOHN MOSES BELMAN, Birmingham.

LIBRARY HOURS AT THE JEWISH INSTITUTE.

May I be permitted, through the medium of your valuable columns, to ask those responsible for the administration of the Library at the Jewish Institute, Mulberry Street, why the Library closes at the early hour of seven in the evening? No Library within the vicinity closes at such an early hour. The working classes of the district cannot possibly utilise the Library to the full extent. Is it impossible for the officials to keep the Library open till nine o'clock in the evening?—A FREQUENTER OF THE LIBRARY.

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THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND, for the "Greenberg Golden Book Memorial Fund," to perpetuate by annual inscription in the Golden Book of the Jewish National Fund, the memory of the late Mr. L. J. Greenberg, Editor of THE JEWISH CHRONICLE and JEWISH WORLD and a founder of the *Keren Kayemet*:—Collected by Mr. S. Hille: Messrs. A. Melinsky, £5 5s.; Angel, £1 1s.; B. Hartstein, £1 1s.; B. Morris, £1 1s.: I. Weinreb, £1 1s.; Chas. Smith, 10s. 6d.; D. Labowitch, 10s. 6d.; J. Nemchinsky, 10s. 6d. Total £11 0s. 6d.

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Music and Drama.

KNIGHT OF THE BURNING PESTLE (Old Vic).

A really jolly farce, set off with an elaborate ornamentation of the most lively of slapstick, is the result of the partnership of Beaumont and Fletcher as authors with Harcourt Williams as producer. An apology is made, in a programme note to the purists, for liberties that have been taken in presenting the play so that its humours may be more in accord with modern taste than the original. But no excuse is needed for the liberties have served only to evoke more pointedly the rollicking spirit of the play, and that is all that matters. How dull the humours of a past age can be we all know, and how joyfully modern experienced acting can make them we were shown here. The story concerns the invasion, by a self-important grocer and his garrulous wife, of the stage set up by a company of players, and their insistence that the apprentice Ralph shall take a part. This he does with much gusto and greatly to the disturbance of the players and their plot. Ralph Richardson as the Knight of the Burning Pestle, forsakes his grocer's shop and sets forth with the scutcheon of the Burning Pestle to succour fair ladies and gentle knights in distress. He sweeps all before him, both literally by his blustering vigour on the stage and in our appreciation of his comic chivalry. But it is Sybil Thorndike who, more than anyone else, re-creates for us the spirit of Merry England. As the grocer's wife she acts as a kind of chorus, but a very active one that interferes with as well as comments on the progress of the play and, with the able assistance of her husband (George Zucco), she builds up an extremely amusing caricature of the bourgeoisie of the period. In the large number of smaller parts there is not much scope for acting, but Frank M. Clark as the merry Mr. Merrythought, Harold Chapin as the ridiculous golden-locked Michael, and Evelyn Allen as Mistress Merrythought were thoroughly comic. R.M.S.

BOW BELLS (Hippodrome).

Such elaborateness of scene and ingenuity of stage spectacle as are included in this Hippodrome Revue have surely never been achieved before. They quite adequately account for the delay in the producing, and let us hope represent the peak of complexity and the summit of theatrical development along these lines. The settings and costumes are a feast of loveliness; and beauty is not by any means swamped in sheer lavishness. The skeleton of the show, the sketches of which it is composed, is not of finest material throughout. But some of the items especially Dion Titheradge's "Speed," a satire on the modern business man and his delightful parody of Dick Whittington in pantomime (old style depicted by Robert Hale and new style by Binnie Hale), are gems of satirical humour and pure burlesque. Miss Hale's ampersonations of Jessie Matthews and Ivy St. Helier were as brilliant as they were at times cruel. But there was always the saving touch of genius about them. A thoroughly funny comedian is André Randall who shows us the difficulties which a Frenchman encounters with English pronunciation. Nelson Keys is most enjoyable in his "impressions," while some really marvellous acrobatic dancing is provided by the Wiere Brothers. Taking the "book" in all, it is a satisfactory evening's—a long evening's—entertainment. But the gorgeous and astoundingly beautiful scenes, costumes and settings leave the lasting impression of something quite out of the ordinary. G.J.

VARIETY AND CINEMA NEWS.

The impressive and spectacular German version of the life of "Martin Luther," produced by Hans Kyser, is the attraction at the Academy Cinema, Oxford Street, next week. Eugen Klopfer gives a fine interpretation of the Great Reformer, in a picture of imposing pageantry and much pictorial beauty. A sensation was caused on the original presentation of "Martin Luther," at the Shaftesbury Avenue Pavilion, two years ago, when the picture was banned by the Censor on the eve of the opening night. In the same programme is revived Ludwig Berger's delightful old-world version of "Cinderella."

Ramon Novarro makes his latest screen appearance next week at the Maida Vale Theatre in a talkie adaptation of the celebrated Arthur Schnitzler drama, "Daybreak," a romance of Vienna before the War. Edward G. Robinson who thrilled fans and critics alike with his performance in "Little Cæsar" will be featured in "Smart Money" in the same bill.

"Bad Girl" showing at the Rivoli, Whitechapel, next week is a story of real people, meeting, falling in love, getting married, having devastatingly trivial misunderstandings and making it up again. Quite a good story, quite ordinary but irresistible. Frank Borzage directed the picture, which co-features Sally Eilers in the title-rôle with James Dunn. Minna Gombell, William Pawley and Frank Darien are also in the cast; and the supporting film is "The Man They Couldn't Arrest," which stars Hugh Wakefield, Gordon Harker, Nicholas Hannen, Garry Marsh, Robert Farquharson and Renée Clama.

Heading the pictorial part of the programme at the Finsbury Park Astoria next week is "Tarnished Lady," a notable screen offering, introducing to the motion pictures Tullulah Bankhead, whose vivacious personality has captured England since she left the States eight years ago.

Next week's attraction at the Trocadero, Elephant and Castle, is Gracie Fields in "Sally in our Alley."

Next week, at the Alexandra Theatre, Stoke Newington, there is the outstanding entertainment of the stage and screen, "My Wife's Family."

Comedy, pathos, and deep understanding of human nature vie for supremacy in the Fox Film version of Vina Delmar's "Bad Girl" which opens next week at the Regent Theatre, Stamford Hill.

At the Stoll Picture Theatre next week the darling of the London stage, Tallulah Bankhead, appears in her first talkie "Tarnished Lady."

Dorothy Bouchier, Brigitte Helm and Joseph Schildkraut are the principal players in "The Blue Danube," the new Herbert Wilcox picture which opens at the Tivoli on Monday.

Still attracting big money, "Sunshine Susie" next Monday enters the sixth week of its run at the Capitol.

A never failing draw, Ralph Lynn continues to attract crowds to the New Gallery to see him in "Mischief."

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VARIETIES.

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MUSIC AND DRAMA.—*(Continued from page 26).*

A strong double-feature programme opens at the Marble Arch Pavilion on Sunday. "The Magnificent Lie" stars Ruth Chatterton, supported by Ralph Bellamy, a stage star here making his first screen appearance, Stuart Erwin and Sam Hardy. "Personal Maid," a story woven round the experiences of a pretty girl who takes a job as maid in a millionaire's household and falls in love with the son of the house, stars Nancy Carroll, Pat O'Brien and Gene Raymond.

After a tremendously successful run at the Tivoli which will conclude next Sunday night, "Congress Dances" moves on to further successes at the New Victoria.

A particularly strong two-feature bill is offered next week at the Astoria, where a new and greatly reduced scale of admission prices starts on Monday. "Honour Among Lovers" stars Claudette Colbert and Frederic March, with Charlie Ruggles, Ginger Rogers and Monroe Owsley. "I Take This Woman" stars Carole Lombard and Gary Cooper.

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Investments and Securities.

By OUR CITY EDITOR.

A decidedly better tone is apparent in the stock markets. There is strength in British Government securities as well as most Continental Government stocks. The reason for the improvement in the home stocks may be ascribed partly to the investment of January dividend money. Of more importance, however, is an undercurrent of feeling that good will result from the conference of Governments to be held this month. It is expected that the question of Reparations and War Debt payments will be successfully tackled and that a way out of the enormous difficulties encountered during 1931 will be found. Up to the present the buoyancy of Government securities has not extended to other sections of the Stock Exchange. It is noticeable, however, that the tone throughout markets is much more confident. Any developments in the buying force must have an appreciable effect upon prices as it is generally agreed that current market valuations for most reliable securities are unduly low. It is a well known fact that marketable supplies are distinctly limited. The New Year has, therefore, started with promise of improvement although the volume of business is still small apart from gilt edged stocks.

Westminster Bank Statement.

The final dividend statement of the Westminster Bank, the first of the "Big-Five," can be regarded as quite satisfactory in view of the general contraction in business during 1931. The net profits for the year are given as £1,601,822, and compare with £1,821,888 in 1930. This net profit is arrived at after provision for rebate and income-tax and after appropriations to the contingency accounts. From these contingency accounts full provision for bad and doubtful debts has been made. A final dividend of 9 per cent. is proposed on the £4 shares, being the same as for the first half year, and making 18 per cent. against 20 per cent., while the 12½ per cent. maximum payment is to be made on the £1 fully paid shares. This is as generally expected and is considered quite satisfactory. Turning to the allocations for the year there is £200,000 again placed to Officers' Pension Fund, and £250,000 compared with £200,000 to contingency fund. This time, however, there is no provision for rebuilding account which was increased last year by £150,000. The balance remaining to be carried forward is reduced from £464,301 to £431,256. The Directors add that in view of the financial outlook they thought it undesirable to draw upon the internal contingency funds to meet the depreciation of British Government investments. For this purpose, therefore, they have appropriated £1,820,157 from the reserve fund. From statistics received investments in British Funds now total approximately £52,000,000, the depreciation provided being roughly 3½ per cent. of this amount. The £4 shares, £1 paid, are quoted at 57s. 9d., while the £1 fully paid shares stand at 47s. 6d.

Alexander's Discount.

The reduction in the total distribution on the share capital of Alexander's Discount Company is an illustration of the extremely difficult conditions which prevailed in the Money Market of London during 1931. The actual dividend is maintained at 15 per cent. for the year on an ordinary paid up capital of £800,000. Of this 7½ per cent. has already been paid as an interim distribution. For years past the Company has distributed a cash bonus of 5 per cent. free of tax in addition to the 15 per cent. less tax dividend, but the cash bonus is not forthcoming this time. It is important to note that in June, 1930, the paid up ordinary capital was increased from £575,000 to £800,000 by the issue of £2 shares with £1 paid up to shareholders at a premium. The new shares ranked for the final dividend and cash bonus for 1930, but not for the interim dividend that year. The whole of the capital naturally ranks for the total distribution for 1931. The undertaking is one of the most important discount companies in London. The setback indicated by the dividend announcement is probably only a temporary factor, and the partly paid ordinary shares, with a present market valuation around 43s., offer attractions to those requiring a sound and promising investment.

Insurance and Finance.

An interesting illustration of the part which insurance companies play in assisting national finances is to be seen in the announcement recently cabled from Montreal that the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada has subscribed for and been allotted $5,000,000 of the Canadian Government's National Service Loan. This is equal at par to a subscription of a little over £1,000,000. The Company received full allotment despite the fact that the loan was greatly oversubscribed. It is stated that no larger individual subscription to the National Service Loan has been announced than that of this Company. During the past year the Sun Life of Canada has subscribed no less than 23,000,000 dollars to Canadian Government loan issues. The Sun Life is one of the most important of Canadian insurance companies with total assets of over £120,000,000, and total assurances in force of over £588,000,000. In the year 1930 it issued new policies for a net amount of over £140,000,000.

Answers to Correspondents and Company Items.

(Advice and references in this column are given on the strict understanding that no legal or other liability is thereby incurred. Readers who desire answers to financial questions should address their queries to the City Editor, THE JEWISH CHRONICLE, *2, Finsbury Square, London, E.C.2, and these should reach the office not later than first post on Tuesday in each week.)*

FINANCIAL ANSWERS.

J.H.W. (Enfield).—War Loan 5 per cent. can be regarded as the best short-dated investment now available. With regard to the conversion of the Savings Certificates, he suggests you exchange into 4½ per cent. Conversion Loan.

WORRIED (N.W.).—The shares are speculative and have little attraction at the moment. The home railway prior charge stock might be retained with advantage.

S.O.S. (E.8).—These shares were quoted ex the dividend on January 4th and you are entitled to the dividend.

HARRY (Chelmsford).—Your list of holdings is quite a reasonable one, and all might be retained for eventual recovery.

A.F.G. (North London).—See little attraction in an exchange. The building society is old established and can be recommended for your requirements.

Hackney Furnishing Co., Ltd.—Mr. A. E. Somers, the Chairman, presided at an extraordinary general meeting of the Company, which was called in response to a shareholders' requisition to consider a resolution to appoint a committee of inspection. After several hours' discussion the resolution, which was put by Mr. C. W. Goff, was lost on a show of hands. A request for a poll was made but ultimately waived, on the Chairman explaining that the Directors held a large majority of votes by proxies and otherwise. Mr. Somers, in the course of his speech, said that the Company had a great future before it. The termination of the meeting was marked by a vote of thanks to the Chairman and Directors, which was carried by acclamation. An abridged report of the meeting is published in this issue of THE JEWISH CHRONICLE.

Refuge Assurance Co., Ltd., Oxford Street, Manchester, announce that the net new ordinary business in 1931 amounted to £6,524,321 against £6,481,784 in 1930.

Royal London Mutual Insurance Co., Ltd., announce that the new ordinary life business effected during 1931, amounted to £4,185,000.

Silvertown Lubricants, Ltd.—Mr. Owen J. P. Wray, who has been for over twenty-six years the most prominent figure at Silvertown Lubricants, Limited, of Minoca Wharf, West Silvertown, has been elected Chairman of this Company. His co-Directors are Messrs. C. A. Featherstone, J. Russell Knowles, W. Lee and Owen Colverd. These gentlemen have also been associated with Silvertown for many years.

COMPANY MEETING.

HACKNEY FURNISHING COMPANY.

SHAREHOLDERS SUPPORT DIRECTORS.

An Extraordinary General Meeting of the Hackney Furnishing Company, Limited, called in compliance with the requisition of a number of shareholders, was held on Monday last at the Holborn Restaurant, London, W.C., to consider a resolution appointing a Committee of Inspection.

Mr. A. E. Somers (Chairman of the Company) presided.

Mr. C. W. Goff, in moving the resolution for which the meeting had been requisitioned, said that in the prospectus the Board stated that the working capital of £132,500 would be sufficient for the purposes of the Company and for financing extensions. Not only had that money apparently gone, but the Board had incurred a loan of well over £300,000, and the whole of the assets of the Company had been charged against that loan. Those requisitioning the meeting considered it essential that the whole of the proceedings which brought about the formation of the Credit Finance Company and the subsequent operations between it and their Company should be thoroughly examined by an independent body of shareholders.

Mr. A. Carrol-Marx seconded the resolution.

The Chairman after describing the meetings between the Directors and Mr. Goff and his friends, went on to say that a large shareholder had suggested that if the Directors would meet a well-known chartered accountant, not associated with the Company and unknown to the Directors, it would probably go a long way towards satisfying Mr. Goff and his friends. The Board were very impressed with that gentleman's ability and were prepared to co-opt him to the Board. That gentleman was willing to do so but not until the question before the Meeting had been disposed of.

FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS.

As to the connection between the Hackney Furnishing Co. Ltd., the Credit Finance Co. and himself, the bank loan which the Company had had was conditional on its being secured by the guarantee of an Insurance Company. When the Insurance Company that had guaranteed the first £100,000 decided to discontinue that class of risk, the Directors had tried every likely medium in order to obtain the further facilities required, and the formation of the Credit Finance Company was the last effort to get what was urgently necessary.

Of the capital of £140,000 of the Credit Finance Co., Ltd., £70,000 stood in the name of the Eagle, Star and British Dominions Insurance Company, Ltd., and there were 1,000 shares in the name of Mr. Barbanell and 500 in that of Mr. H. Stewart. He himself held £10,000 and he had never concealed his holding in that Company. He had always been willing, and still was willing, to dispose of that holding to the Hackney Furnishing Company or anyone else at the price which he had given for it.

Other shareholders took part in the discussion and, on a show of hands, the resolution, on being put to the meeting, was rejected by an overwhelming majority.

In view of the fact that the Directors held a considerable majority of votes by proxies and otherwise, the demand for a poll was waived.

The meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the Chairman, and an expression of confidence in the Directors, which was carried with acclamation.

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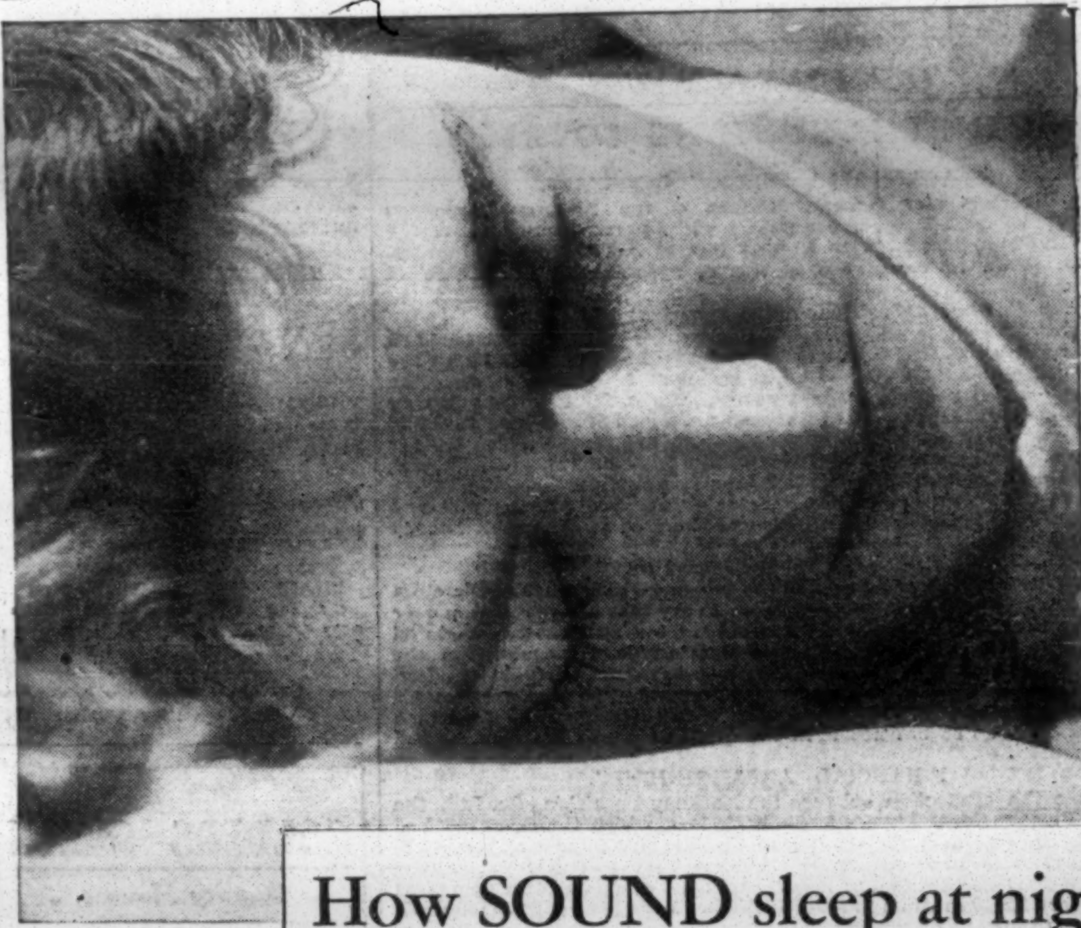

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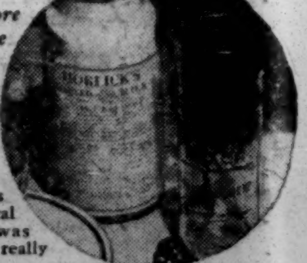

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Rome and Judæa.—III.

By AUNTIE.

WHEN I started this series I mentioned that I proposed to deal not only with the events associated with the relations between Rome and Judæa but also with the personalities figuring in that story. You may remember that last week I related the martyrdom of a saint named Onias, who was killed by the soldiers of Hyrcanus's camp because he refused to utter a curse that they thought would be potent against the rival supporters of Aristobulus. This Onias is a very interesting figure about whom a lot is related in the Talmud and Jewish legendary lore, and I propose to make a little diversion in our history to tell you what has come down to us about him.

Choni the Circle Drawer.

In the Talmud he is referred to as Choni Ha-meaggel, or "the circle drawer," the nickname being due to his habit of drawing a circle round himself when he uttered his magic prayers. He is said to have been descended from Moses and belonged to the sect of the Essenes. His piety and learning caused him to be held in high repute, and we have already seen what great store was set by his prayers. He was specially called upon—the Talmud tells us—on one occasion when autumn was well advanced and no rain had fallen. Choni was asked to pray that rain should fall. He drew a circle, stood inside it and said: "Lord of the Universe! Thy children have set their faces towards me because I am to Thee as a son of Thy house. I swear by Thy great name that I will not stir hence until Thou hast mercy upon Thy children." Rain began to drizzle. The people were not satisfied, and declared that this dripping was merely to free him from his oath. Thereupon Choni prayed for rain sufficient to fill the cisterns, ditches and reservoirs. The rain then came down in torrents, and the people complained that this was a deluge like to destroy the world. Again Choni prayed and said: "Not for such did I ask but for a rain of favour, blessing and grace." The rain then fell properly, but continued so that the people had to ask Choni to pray that it might stop. And Choni said: "Lord of the Universe, Thy people Israel whom Thou broughtest up out of Egypt can stand neither good to excess nor too much punishment. When Thy anger was extended against them they could not stand it, and now that Thou hast poured good upon them they cannot stand it. May it be Thy will that there be tranquillity in the world." Straightway the wind blew, the clouds scattered, and the people were able to go out into the fields and gather vegetables.

The Sleeper.

A contemporary sage said of Choni that he was the spoilt child of God whose every desire was granted. But there is a much more interesting tale told about Choni in the Talmud which reminds us of the famous legend of Rip Van Winkle. One day while he was walking on the road he noticed a man planting a carob tree. He said to him: "You know it takes seventy years before a carob tree bears fruit. Are you likely to be spared seventy years to eat of the fruit of this tree?" The man replied simply: "I found carob trees when I came into the world. As my ancestors planted trees for me so I am planting for my posterity." Choni sat down to eat and fell asleep. A grove grew about him so that he could not be seen. And he slept on for seventy years. When he woke he saw a man gathering carobs from a carob tree, and eating them. He asked him who planted the tree. "My grandfather," he replied, and Choni knew he had been asleep for seventy years.

Not Recognised.

There is rather a pathetic ending to the tale as told in the Talmud. He went home, found that his son was dead but that his grandson was still alive. He told them who he was but no one would believe him. Then he went to the house of study and he heard them relate how Choni the circle drawer used to solve all their difficulties. He exclaimed: "I am Choni!" but again he was not believed and he was laughed at. He prayed that he might die and death came to him. Hence—one Rabbi said—arose the proverb "A man who has no friends is better dead."

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Gerty Berman, Parys, O.F.S.—I was delighted to get your "snap" and to see what a bonny lass my niece is. I am afraid my invisible cloak is a bar to camera studies. You seem to live in an interesting place. I hope the boy who met with an accident is now better. Send me some of the gold.

Joseph D. Binstock, Liverpool.—I am an enthusiastic admirer of the Scout and Girl Guide movements and I hope your Troop will flourish. I have inserted your request. I am grateful for your gift.

John Henry Boham, Sekondi.—See my answer to Joseph Amissah above.

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Julius Goodman, Cardiff.—Your *Parsha* is in *Lech Lecha*, which will be read on November 5th. I am glad to welcome you as a nephew.

Samuel Harris, Liverpool.—I quite agree with you about the box. I am pleased you liked the Chat about Abraham, and that your relatives are so interested in our page.

Marie Hurwitz, Sunderland.—I have inserted your request, but I have not many French nieces and nephews. Thanks for your gift.

Golda and Emanuel Landsberg, Stepney.—Your parcel was welcome. I hope it is not too late to wish Emanuel many happy returns.

James Mensah, Sekondi.—I am afraid you are not eligible.

Alfred Pinkus, Bow.—Many thanks for your gift to our Fund.

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J. Simons, Stoke Newington.—Thanks for your parcel.

Muriel, Esther, Maurice and Ephraim Singer, Dalston.—The joint effort was very nice.

B. Vas Nunes, Mile End.—Many thanks for your gift in commemoration of your *Barmitzvah.*

Solly Veeder, Manchester.—I hope you will obtain some congenial pen-chums.

L. E. Weidberg, Manchester.—There is considerable controversy as to the site of the mountain. Rashi's is only one theory. It is nice to know that the "Study Circle" series of Chats is appreciated.

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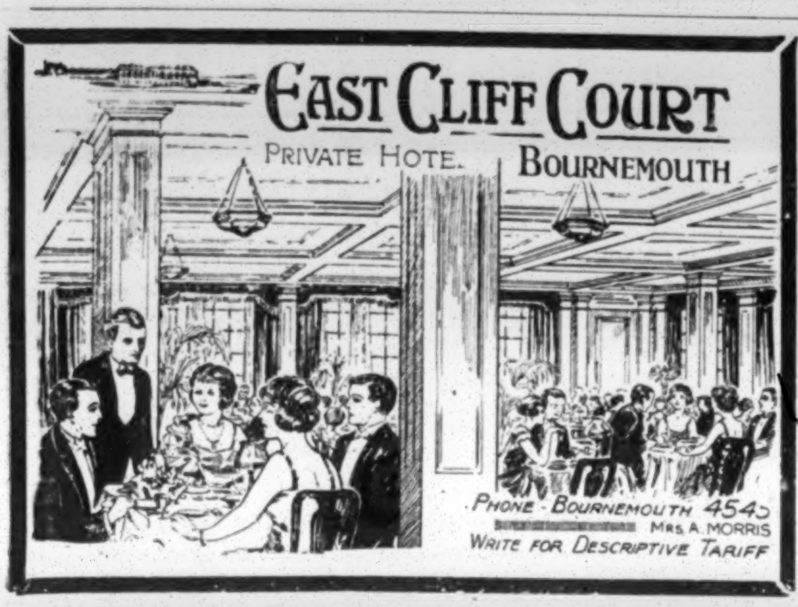

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Rome and Judæa.—III.

By AUNTIE.

WHEN I started this series I mentioned that I proposed to deal not only with the events associated with the relations between Rome and Judæa but also with the personalities figuring in that story. You may remember that last week I related the martyrdom of a saint named Onias, who was killed by the soldiers of Hyrcanus's camp because he refused to utter a curse that they thought would be potent against the rival supporters of Aristobulus. This Onias is a very interesting figure about whom a lot is related in the Talmud and Jewish legendary lore, and I propose to make a little diversion in our history to tell you what has come down to us about him.

Choni the Circle Drawer.

In the Talmud he is referred to as Choni Ha-meaggel, or "the circle drawer," the nickname being due to his habit of drawing a circle round himself when he uttered his magic prayers. He is said to have been descended from Moses and belonged to the sect of the Essenes. His piety and learning caused him to be held in high repute, and we have already seen what great store was set by his prayers. He was specially called upon—the Talmud tells us—on one occasion when autumn was well advanced and no rain had fallen. Choni was asked to pray that rain should fall. He drew a circle, stood inside it and said: "Lord of the Universe! Thy children have set their faces towards me because I am to Thee as a son of Thy house. I swear by Thy great name that I will not stir hence until Thou hast mercy upon Thy children." Rain began to drizzle. The people were not satisfied, and declared that this dripping was merely to free him from his oath. Thereupon Choni prayed for rain sufficient to fill the cisterns, ditches and reservoirs. The rain then came down in torrents, and the people complained that this was a deluge like to destroy the world. Again Choni prayed and said: "Not for such did I ask but for a rain of favour, blessing and grace." The rain then fell properly, but continued so that the people had to ask Choni to pray that it might stop. And Choni said: "Lord of the Universe, Thy people Israel whom Thou broughtest up out of Egypt can stand neither good to excess nor too much punishment. When Thy anger was extended against them they could not stand it, and now that Thou hast poured good upon them they cannot stand it. May it be Thy will that there be tranquillity in the world." Straightway the wind blew, the clouds scattered, and the people were able to go out into the fields and gather vegetables.

The Sleeper.

A contemporary sage said of Choni that he was the spoilt child of God whose every desire was granted. But there is a much more interesting tale told about Choni in the Talmud which reminds us of the famous legend of Rip Van Winkle. One day while he was walking on the road he noticed a man planting a carob tree. He said to him: "You know it takes seventy years before a carob tree bears fruit. Are you likely to be spared seventy years to eat of the fruit of this tree?" The man replied simply: "I found carob trees when I came into the world. As my ancestors planted trees for me so I am planting for my posterity." Choni sat down to eat and fell asleep. A grove grew about him so that he could not be seen. And he slept on for seventy years. When he woke he saw a man gathering carobs from a carob tree, and eating them. He asked him who planted the tree. "My grandfather," he replied, and Choni knew he had been asleep for seventy years.

Not Recognised.

There is rather a pathetic ending to the tale as told in the Talmud. He went home, found that his son was dead but that his grandson was still alive. He told them who he was but no one would believe him. Then he went to the house of study and he heard them relate how Choni the circle drawer used to solve all their difficulties. He exclaimed: "I am Choni!" but again he was not believed and he was laughed at. He prayed that he might die and death came to him. Hence—one Rabbi said—arose the proverb "A man who has no friends is better dead."

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Joseph Amissah, Sekondi.—You will find particulars and coupon in any issue.

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Gerty Berman, Parys, O.F.S.—I was delighted to get your "snap" and to see what a bonny lass my niece is. I am afraid my invisible cloak is a bar to camera studies. You seem to live in an interesting place. I hope the boy who met with an accident is now better. Send me some of the gold.

Joseph D. Binstock, Liverpool.—I am an enthusiastic admirer of the Scout and Girl Guide movements and I hope your Troop will flourish. I have inserted your request. I am grateful for your gift.

John Henry Boham, Sekondi.—See my answer to Joseph Amissah above.

Marie Craster, Middlesbrough.—I trust it has now come to hand. I am glad you like the stories in "Young Israel." Our limited space does not allow us to print many.

T. Davis, Dalston.—Many thanks for the parcel of tin-foil.

Rene Doberman, Middlesbrough.—I am grateful for your contribution to "Happiness, Unlimited," and your parcel of silver paper.

Joan Gibian, Stamford Hill.—Please thank your friends. I hope you will find others equally generous. Many thanks.

Muriel Gold, Hackney.—Your little parcel was very welcome.

"Jean," Stamford Hill.—Always sign your full name. I am glad to hear of your promotion and your lovely *Chanucah* present. Many thanks for your parcel and money gift to our Special Fund.

Julius Goodman, Cardiff.—Your *Parsha* is in *Lech Lecha*, which will be read on November 5th. I am glad to welcome you as a nephew.

Samuel Harris, Liverpool.—I quite agree with you about the box. I am pleased you liked the Chat about Abraham, and that your relatives are so interested in our page.

Marie Hurwitz, Sunderland.—I have inserted your request, but I have not many French nieces and nephews. Thanks for your gift.

Golda and Emanuel Landsberg, Stepney.—Your parcel was welcome. I hope it is not too late to wish Emanuel many happy returns.

James Mensah, Sekondi.—I am afraid you are not eligible.

Alfred Pinkus, Bow.—Many thanks for your gift to our Fund.

Lionel Shenker, East Ham.—I am glad to welcome you. Your "entrance gift" is much appreciated.

Rita Shenker, East Ham.—I am pleased to find you among the "conspirators."

Minnie Sieff, Manchester.—Congratulations on your success. I hope you are better. I am glad to know you have nice pen-chums.

J. Simons, Stoke Newington.—Thanks for your parcel.

Muriel, Esther, Maurice and Ephraim Singer, Dalston.—The joint effort was very nice.

B. Vas Nunes, Mile End.—Many thanks for your gift in commemoration of your *Barmitsvah*.

Solly Veeder, Manchester.—I hope you will obtain some congenial pen-chums.

L. E. Weidberg, Manchester.—There is considerable controversy as to the site of the mountain. Rashi's is only one theory. It is nice to know that the "Study Circle" series of Chats is appreciated.

Isaac Wolkowitz, Haifa, Palestine.—I feel sure that you will obtain some interesting correspondents, as I receive many requests for pen-chums living in Palestine.

Renee Yodaiken, Dublin.—Directly I can spare a moment, I will comply with your request. Free State stamps are not usable in England. The "R's" are more traditional than the "L's."

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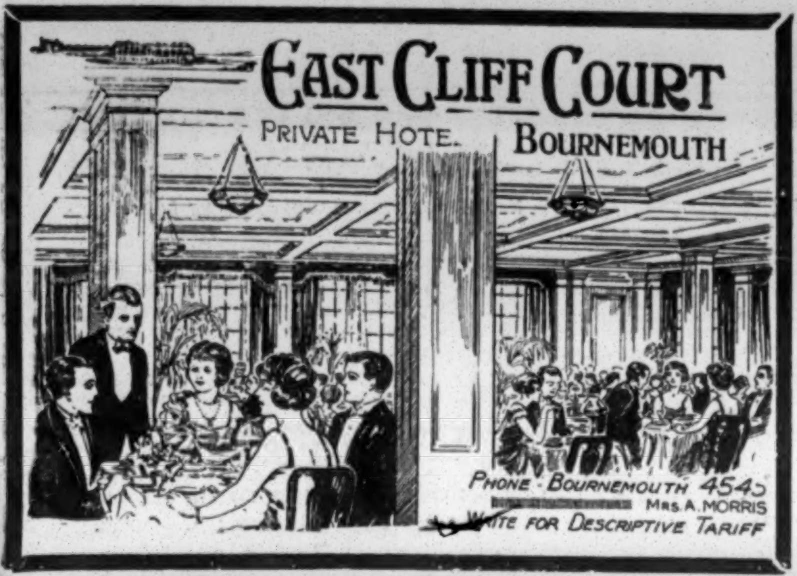

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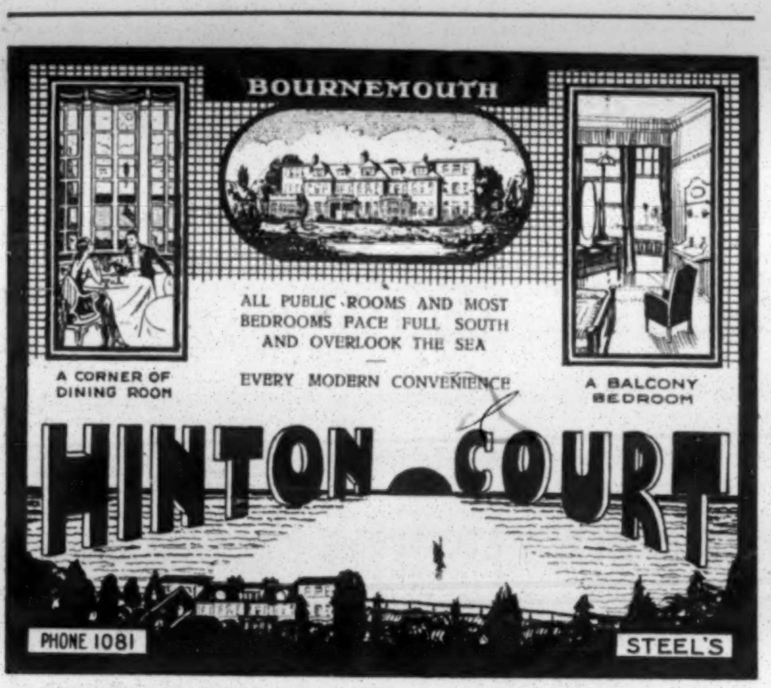

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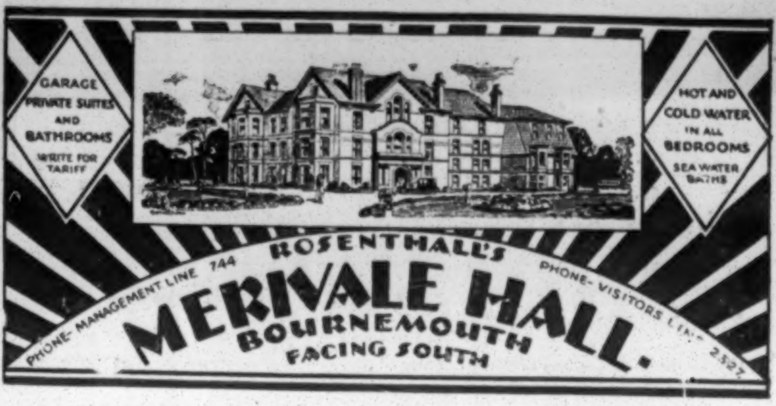

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